

FIRST EDITION

THE WEATHER: Moderate E.S.E. winds. Fair with slight mist during the afternoon. Becoming foggy again this evening.

CHINA



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Comment Of The Day

THE CHANGE IN 14 YEARS

IT is 14 years since Lt. Philip Mountbatten RN last saw Hongkong. In the aftermath of occupation it was a picture of grey neglect, tragedy, and destitution. He was a probably happy to leave it. With pride and pleasure the rejuvenated island welcomed Prince Philip today, with the hope that he'll be sorry to go 50 hours hence. Sorry enough to want to come back again at the earliest convenient opportunity.

Because after 14 years he will have noticed an amazing transformation. Behind this change lies a story that almost qualifies Hongkong for a Duke of Edinburgh award—that badge won by British children who accomplish an expedition "with fortitude and resourcefulness". The resilience of the place amazes the local people as much as anyone. Experts warn us: this can't go on. And yet it does.

THE Colony's achievement is that it has brought about its own recovery by faith and tenacity. That it has done so much to the steadfastness of local government as to the endless quest for survival by the Chinese people who have taken refuge here in hundreds of thousands in recent years, and brought with them their industry, initiative and skill. Their poverty and misery too. And in their train a crop of problems which the Colony is still trying to sort out.

Our greatest regret is that the Duke is not here long enough to see it all—the modern factories and the traditional workshops, the Chinese way of life, the university and its interests, the mass-housing, the welfare work, the cluster of reservoirs and the whole field of development in which the Duke has taken such a keen interest elsewhere.

It is a source of local pride that so much has been achieved in so many years. And it is natural that we should wish a person like the Duke as consort of the Head of the Commonwealth to see how this small part of the Queen's domain thrives. Nevertheless Hongkong is honoured to be host to Prince Philip.

IN the current visit Government has tried to fit as much as is comfortably possible into the Duke's programme consonant with the official theme. The youth of Hongkong have been accorded an enviable privilege and the rest of the programme has been so arranged as to allow as many as possible to see the Duke who is held in the same high esteem here as in Britain and any other part of the Commonwealth. Today the China Mail commemorates—the Duke's arrival with a souvenir supplement in which much of the character of this remarkable man, and something of his current tour is revealed. The reception he has been given everywhere is a vivid testimony of his own popularity and the reverence in which the Crown is still held in lands whose links with it are today tenuous and formal. The stirring triumph of this tour imbues the Queen's subjects here who wish him heartily an enjoyable and happy stay in Hongkong.

Oxford Leads University Suicides

London, March 5. The suicide rate among white male undergraduates at Oxford University between 1948 and 1958 was nearly five times the comparable rate for England and Wales, according to figures published today in the British medical journal.

At Cambridge University and University College, London, it was nearly three times higher. It was slightly higher at seven other British universities.

Mental Health

Sir Alan Took, Senior Health Officer at Cambridge University, said: "Student suicides are an old and part of the problem of mental health in universities about which undoubtedly far too little is known even by those most directly concerned."

Sir Alan added that the smallness of the number of suicides in all universities "must be stressed, for with so few cases it is only too easy to draw erroneous conclusions from statistical tables."

Sir Alan said that Oxford had a suicide rate of 26.4 per 100,000 students and Cambridge a rate of 21.3 per 100,000 students.

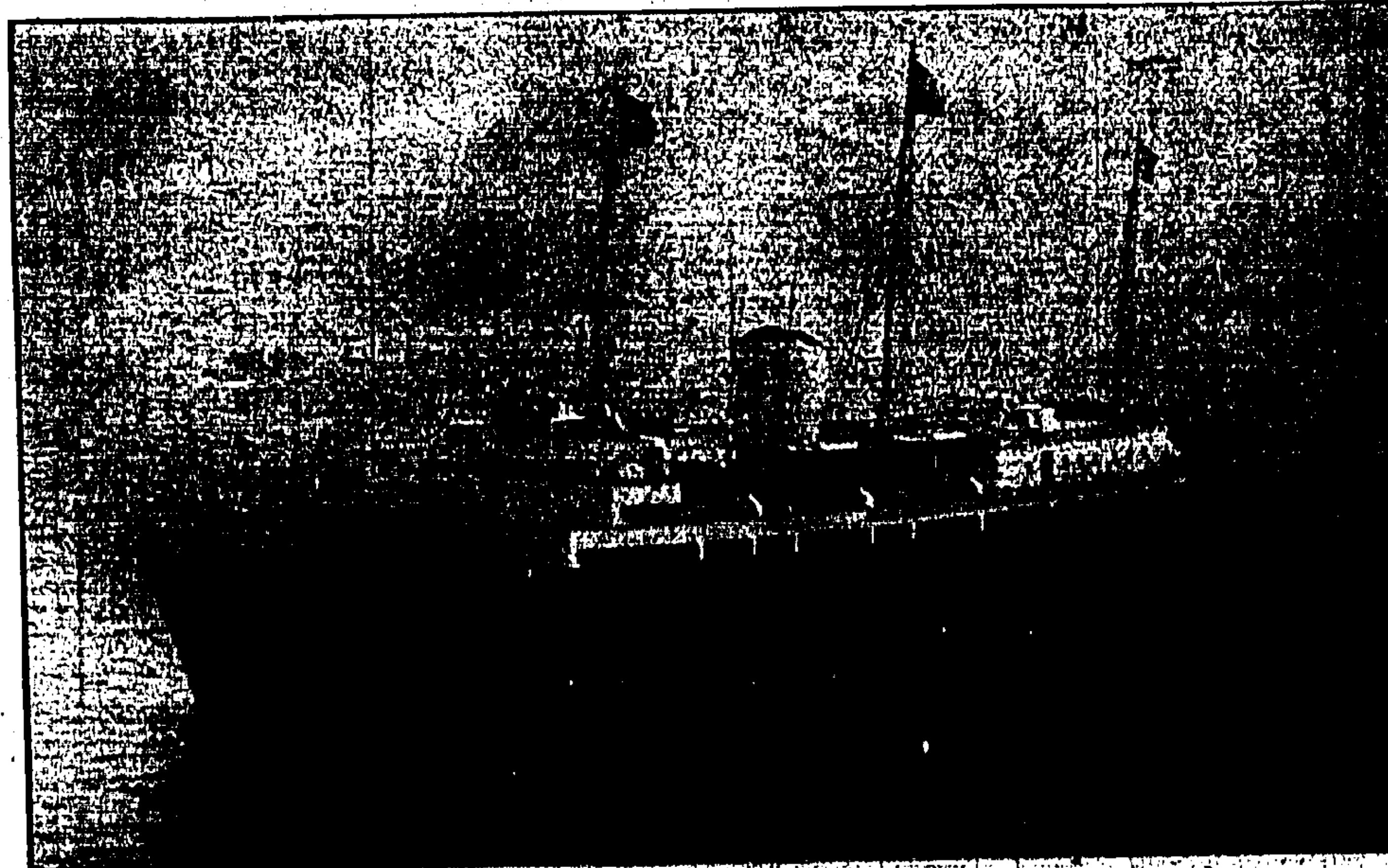
This compared with 5.9 per 100,000 students for seven other British universities.—Reuter and U.P.I.

PETITION BID BY NT VILLAGERS?

Neither the Police nor the Government Public Relations Office were able to confirm this morning reports that New Territories villagers were coming into the city in an attempt to make petitions to the Duke of Edinburgh and the Governor for official recognition of the Heung Yee Kuk (Rural Council).

Several vernacular newspapers carried reports both yesterday and today about the movement but the Heung Yee Kuk also denied this morning, having anything to do with organising any petition.

The PRC confirmed, however, that road blocks have been set up in the New Territories, but added that these checks were just routine.



THE BRITANNIA

Greeted By Governor On Queen's Pier Steps

The Duke of Edinburgh stepped ashore at Queen's Pier this afternoon where he was greeted by the Governor, Sir Robert Black.

Hongkong gave the Duke a big welcome. The first Royal salute of 21 guns was fired when her naval escort of three frigates joined her at sea. Britannia was then about 60 miles from Hongkong.

More royal salutes were fired as the Britannia passed through Lyemun into the harbour. And as the Duke stepped ashore church bells pealed out in welcome.

Crowds watched from the windows of the big office buildings looking on to the Queen's Pier enclosure.

There were several thousand people on the reclamation and in the Star Ferry area.

Half an hour before the Duke was due to step ashore, crowds made their way from various parts of the central district, all converging on Queen's Pier.

The Duke was wearing the uniform of an Admiral of the Fleet.

The royal yacht Britannia carrying the Duke on his tour of the Far East, arrived in harbour at 1.15 p.m.

As the Royal barge from the Britannia drew alongside, Sir Robert saluted the Duke and then escorted him up the red-carpeted steps.

At the top of the steps were Lady Black, Miss Barbara Black, the Commander British Forces (Lieut-General Sir Edric Bastyan), and Lady Bastyan, the Air Officer Commanding (Air Commodore E.D. Holroyd), and the Commodore-in-Charge (Commodore G.D.A. Gregory).

They were presented to the Duke by Sir Robert.

Standstill

City traffic was almost at a standstill as General Bastyan escorted the Duke to the saluting dais.

In front of the Duke was an Inter-Service Guard of Honour drawn from HMS Ceylon, 1st Battalion the Green Howards and the Royal Air Force Station, Kai Tak.

The banners and decorations along the procession route flapped idly in the breeze as His Highness mounted the dais. The Guard gave the Royal Salute and the bands of HMS Ceylon and the Green Howards played the National Anthem.

Took Salute

The Duke took the salute and then inspected the Guard, accompanied by the Guard Commander and General Bastyan.

The fog and mist that had covered the Colony for the whole morning lifted at noon and the sun came out as the sky cleared.

But the Duke could not get a good view of the Peak or the Upper Levels as they were still covered by a light mist.

As the Duke stepped ashore the Chaplain of St John's Cathedral, the Rev. J. W. Foster

"fired" the Cathedral bells in a salute of welcome. The bells will continue to peal until the Duke reaches Government House.

This means that all the Cathedral's eight bells were rung together.

FIRE CRACKERS AND SHIPS' SIRENS GREET THE DUKE

By NOEL BUCHANAN

Prince Philip the Duke of Edinburgh arrived in Hongkong on the royal yacht Britannia for a fog-shrouded reception of fire crackers and hooting and ships' sirens.

The Britannia was escorted down the harbour by a reception committee of about two dozen belugged launches and small craft.

The Duke stood on the lower deck with Hongkong's former Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham and admiral of the fleet, Lord Fraser waving taking pictures with a movie camera and looking at Hongkong through binoculars.

Landmarks

All the way along the harbour Sir Alexander, wearing a hat, pointed out landmarks to the Duke.

This is the first time Prince Philip has visited Hongkong as Prince Consort and the first time Sir Alexander has been back since he retired as Governor.

The heavy pall of fog that had shrouded Hongkong since early morning lifted slightly just before the Britannia entered the harbour but still Hongkong and Kowloon were ringed with mist and the city and the Peak were almost invisible from North Point.

But the day was calm.

The breeze that kept strings of flags on all the naval ships in port flapping gently, barely gave more than a ripple to the surface of the water.

An hour before the Britannia was due to sail through Lyemun, people had taken vantage points on the rocky beaches at the entrance to the bay.

Luxury launches, junks and sleek yachts drew up along the Shaikwan side to watch the Duke's arrival.

Hundreds of families sat patiently on junks anchored at Shaikwan.

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FIVE AFRICANS KILLED

Blantyre, Mar. 5. Five Africans were killed today when security forces opened fire on a spear-carrying crowd which surrounded them at a road block near Zomba, about 50 miles north of here. Four other Africans were injured.

The latest victims bring the death toll since a state of emergency was declared in this troubled territory two days ago to 30.

The disturbance, coming after a generally quiet night in Nyasaland, started when security forces left their vehicles at the road block to disperse the crowd.—Reuter.

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RENDEZVOUS!

We Sight Britannia At 7.57

From PHILIP HARRISON

on board HMS Cardigan Bay

The Royal Navy's escort of three frigates sighted the royal yacht Britannia at 7.57 a.m. today and the Duke made a brief appearance on the poop deck as HMS Cardigan Bay drew close to transfer royal mail.

Tension aboard the ship, leader of the three frigates escorting Britannia, to Hongkong, relaxed after the interception, a 21-gun salute and transfer of the mail was completed on schedule.

HMS Cardigan Bay, HMS St Brides Bay and HMNZS Rotomahana are now in arrowhead formation behind the Britannia, heading for Hongkong.

Radar Contact

First radar contact with the Britannia was made at 7.32 a.m. when it was 11 miles away.

Steaming in a line astern, the escort closed in at 15 knots through slight swell with mist over the water.

Our radar was tracking the royal yacht constantly and reporting the position to the bridge every few minutes.

The first sighting of the Britannia was made at 7.57 a.m. when she identified herself with a signalling lamp.

The Salute

The three frigates started firing a salute simultaneously right on schedule at 8 a.m.

We wheeled around until we were in a line astern of the yacht and then Cardigan Bay moved up alongside to transfer royal mail.

Only 25 yards separated the two vessels.

The Duke appeared for a brief moment on the poop deck as the Cardigan Bay closed. The transfer started at 8.12 and finished five minutes later and then the three frigates formed up behind the royal yacht to start the journey back to Hongkong.

Yellow Disc Hovers Over London

London, March 5.

A mysterious yellow disc seen hovering over London Airport last Thursday was today recorded by the Air Ministry here as "an unidentified flying object."

At least four reliable witnesses saw the "object" in the evening.

An air traffic control officer studied it for several minutes through binoculars before checking with radar operators—but they found no image on their screens.

No Clouds

One eye-witness said tonight it was like the reflection of a search light on clouds. He added "there were no clouds."

London Airport would not officially disclose the names of the four known witnesses.

The Royal Air Force Fighter Command headquarters at Stanmore, which was asked by London Airport air traffic control to investigate, gave this official description: "Bright yellow light varying in intensity some 200 feet from the ground. It stayed

in one position for about 20 minutes, then climbed away at high speed."—Reuter.

SOUVENIR SUPPLEMENT

A special eight-page lift-out souvenir supplement commemorating the Duke's visit to Hongkong is published with today's China Mail.

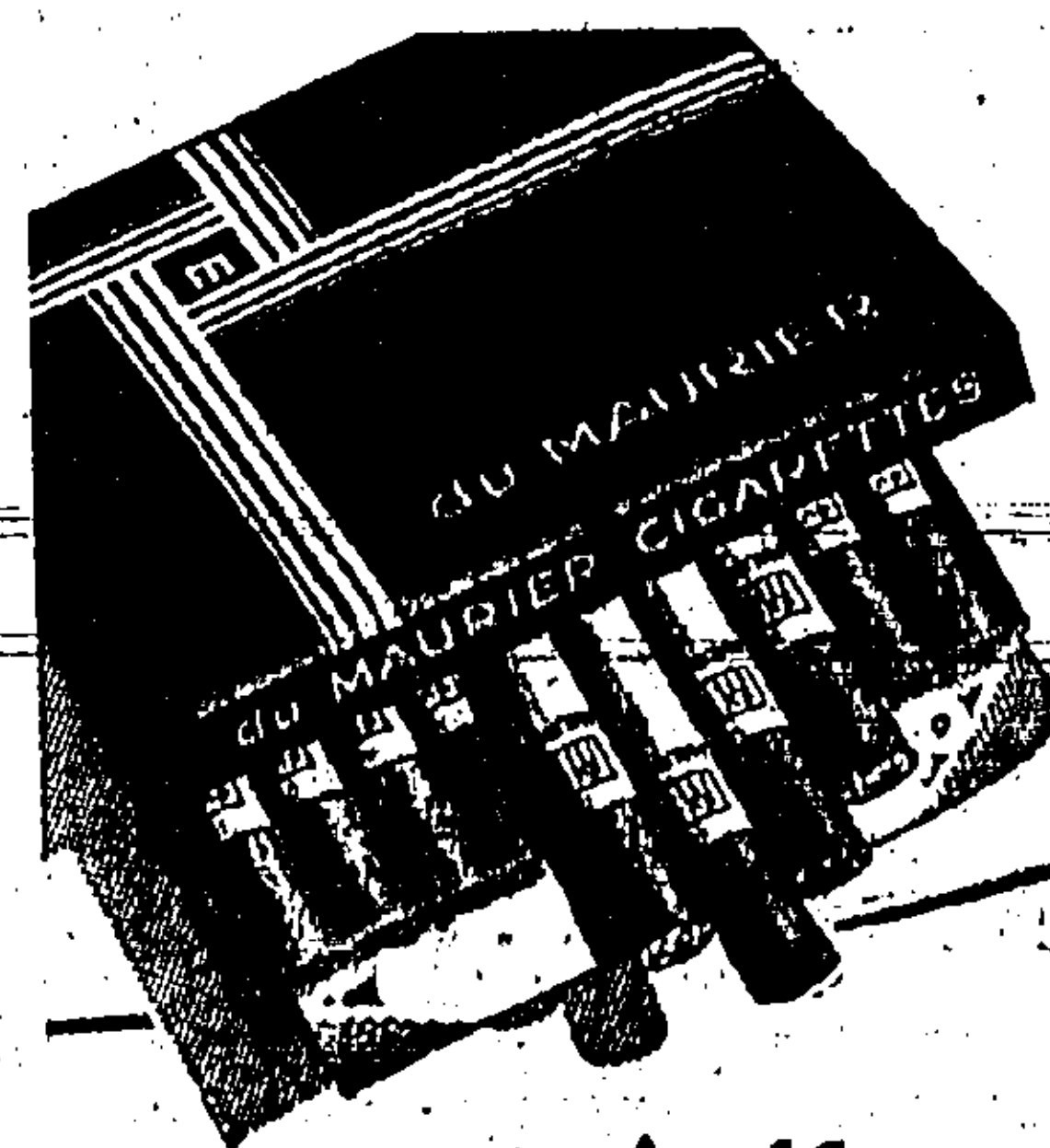
POLICE MOVE CARS ON CENTRAL RECLAMATION

Police officers were working overtime last night and early this morning moving cars which had been left on the Central Reclamation area.

Last night no fewer than 143 cars were removed and on Tuesday night, prior to the rehearsal, 57 cars had to be cleared from the area.

A Police spokesman said this morning that the Central Re-

clamation area will have to be cleared again on Saturday night for the departure of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh the following day. He called on motorists for co-operation and said that if owners would remove their cars themselves it would save them a lot of inconvenience and the Police the trouble of moving the cars away.



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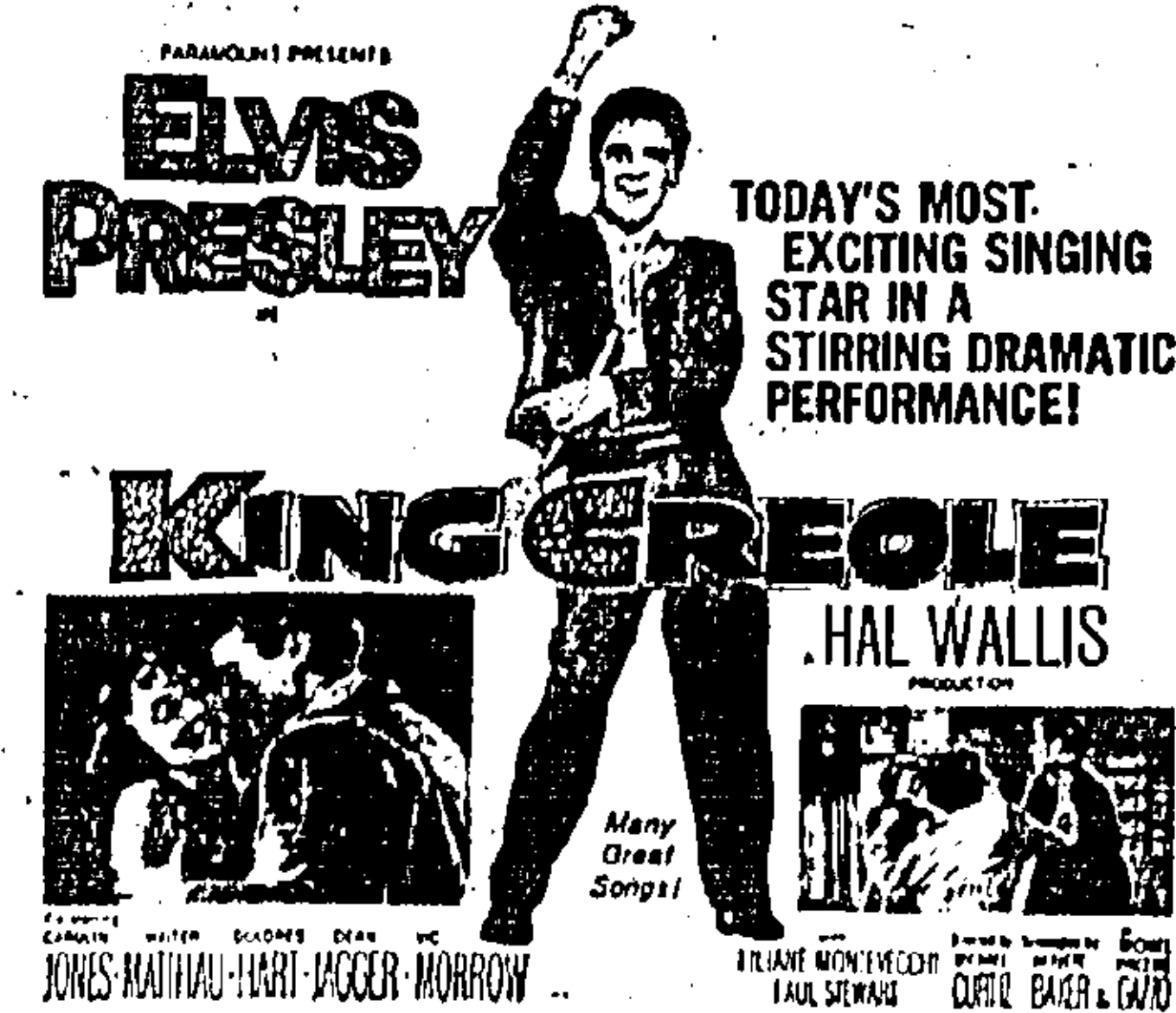
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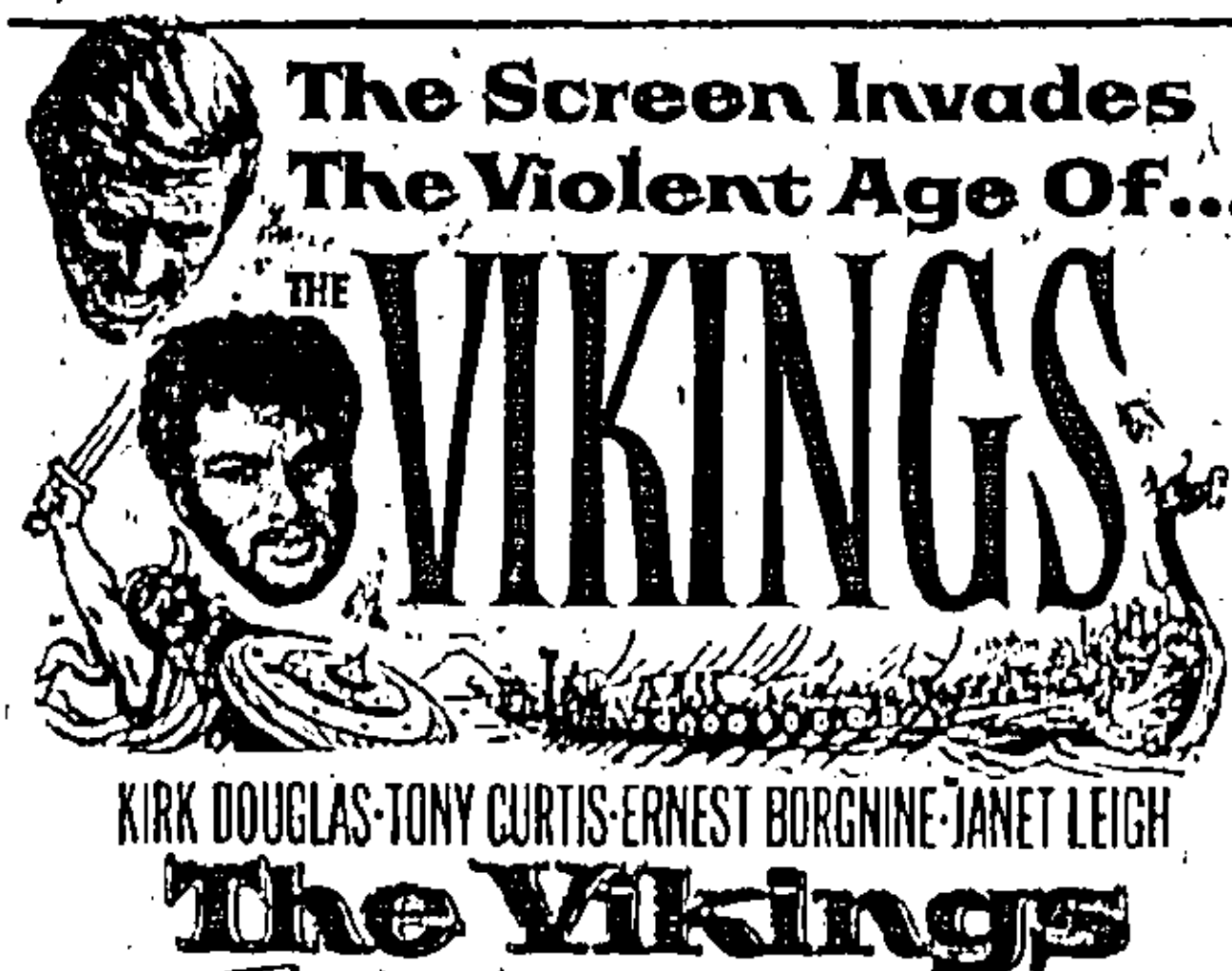
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The Vikings

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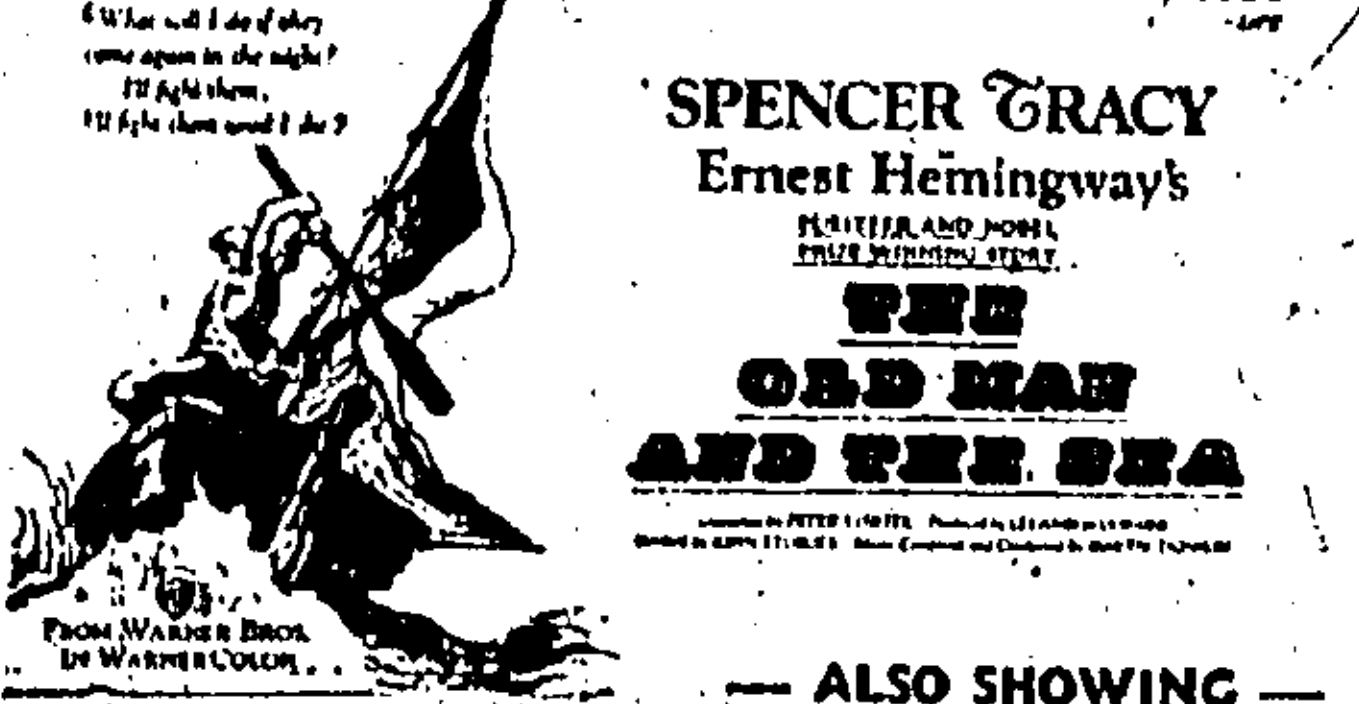
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"Epic A Memorable Movie!"



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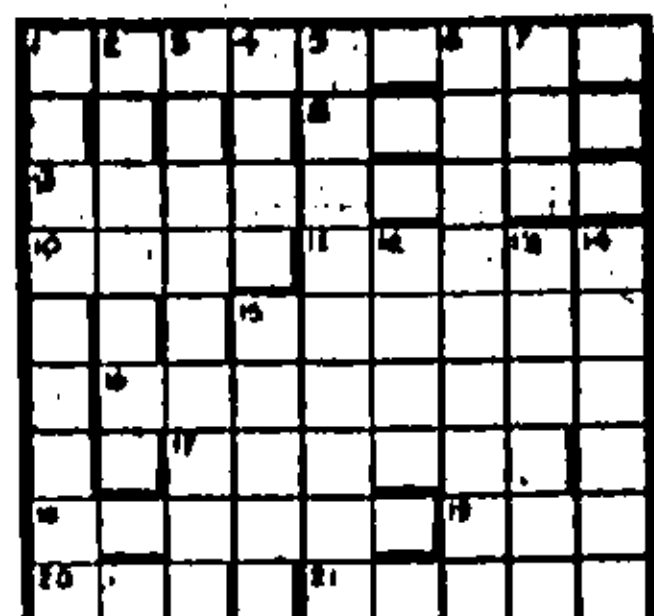
"GENTLEMAN BURGLAR"

In Glorious Color

With Jean Laurent's Ballets De L'Opéra, Paris

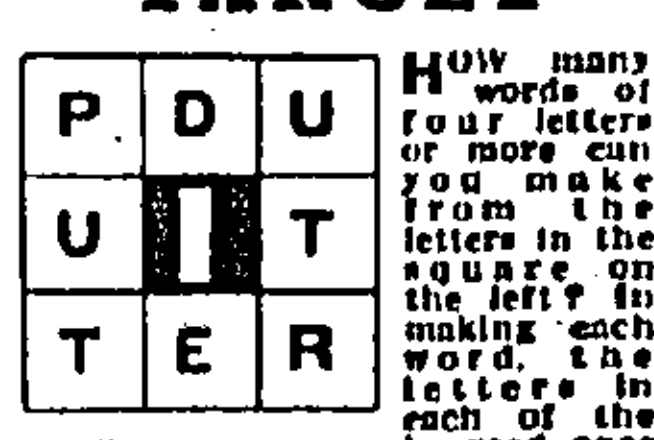
Music by Johann Strauss, Jr.

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1. Immediately (5, 4)
2. They appear on barrels (6)
3. Cause of reason for something (6, 4)
4. The path (5)
5. To take charge (6)
6. He helps out (6)
7. Sincerely (7) Directed (6)
8. Girl's name (13)
9. To decline (13)
10. Heated argument (6)
11. Back (13)
12. Back (13)
13. Compromise (2, 4, 6)
14. Albert's number (13)
15. Works it out on paper (6)
16. Looking (13)
17. To make a point (13)
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TARGET



How many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the target? The letters in the target are: P, D, U, U, I, T, E, R. The letters in the target are: P, D, U, U, I, T, E, R. The letters in the target are: P, D, U, U, I, T, E, R.

Unions Call Off U.K. Car Strike

London, March 5.
Leaders of the 22 trade unions involved in a strike at the Ford Motor Company's works at Dagenham on the eastern outskirts of London tonight decided to recommend their men to return to work.

They announced this decision after talks—lasting more than three hours—with the Ford management.
There was no statement from the Ford management but a union leader said they had agreed to make work available from tomorrow's night shift.

The strike, which began 11 days ago over the employment of one non-unionist, has made 10,000 men idle.

The trade union leaders also said tonight it had been agreed to request all the union executives "to examine completely the problem of trade union membership at Ford establishments in an endeavour to agree a joint policy within an agreed period of time."

Other Strikes

A union spokesman said there had been no agreement to move the non-unionist who sparked off the dispute.

Meanwhile there was no sign tonight of an end to two other serious strikes in the British motor industry.
An electricians' strike at the Morris Commercial Cars works at Birmingham has caused 1,400 men to be held off and threatens the jobs of thousands more.

MAIL Notices

The latest times of posting shown below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the local office.
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PUBLIC HOLIDAY
All Post Offices will be closed tomorrow.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

By Air

Los Angeles, 6 p.m.

Hawaii, 6 p.m.

Canada, U.S.A., 6 p.m.

Japan, 6 p.m.

Philippines, 6 p.m.

By Surface

Cambodia, 3 p.m.

India, 3 p.m.

China, 3 p.m.

Malaya, 3 p.m.

Thailand, 3 p.m.

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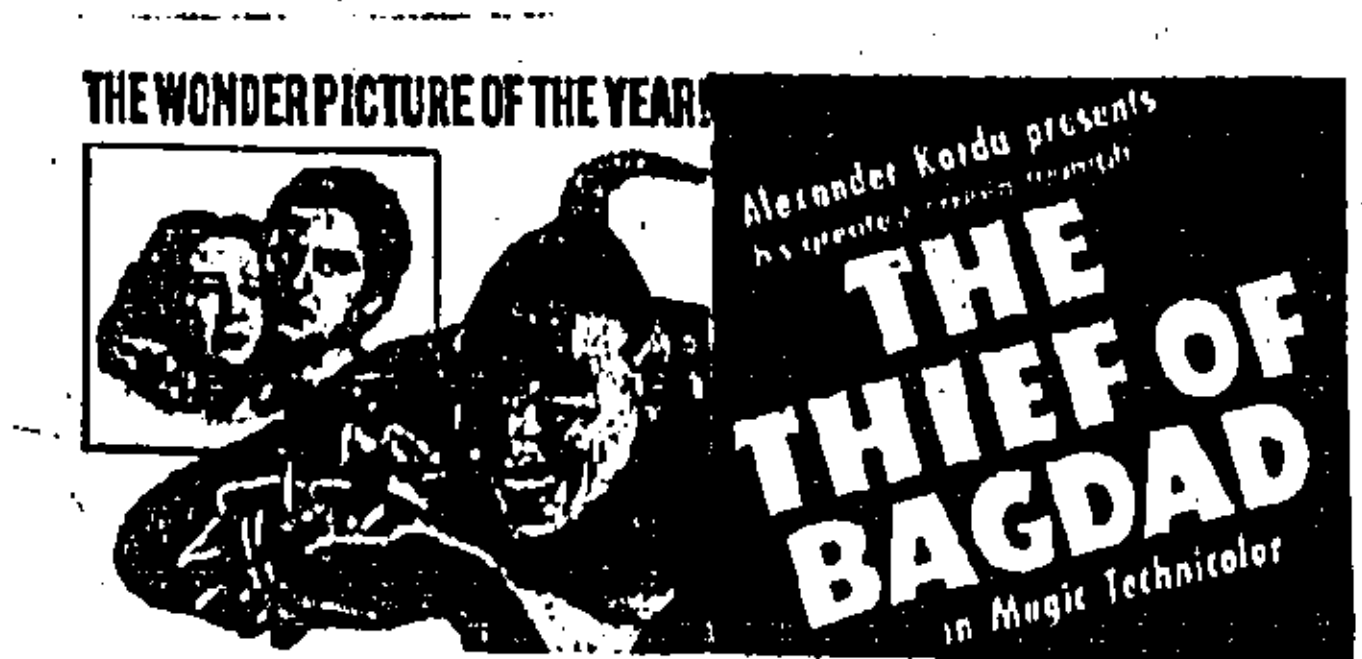
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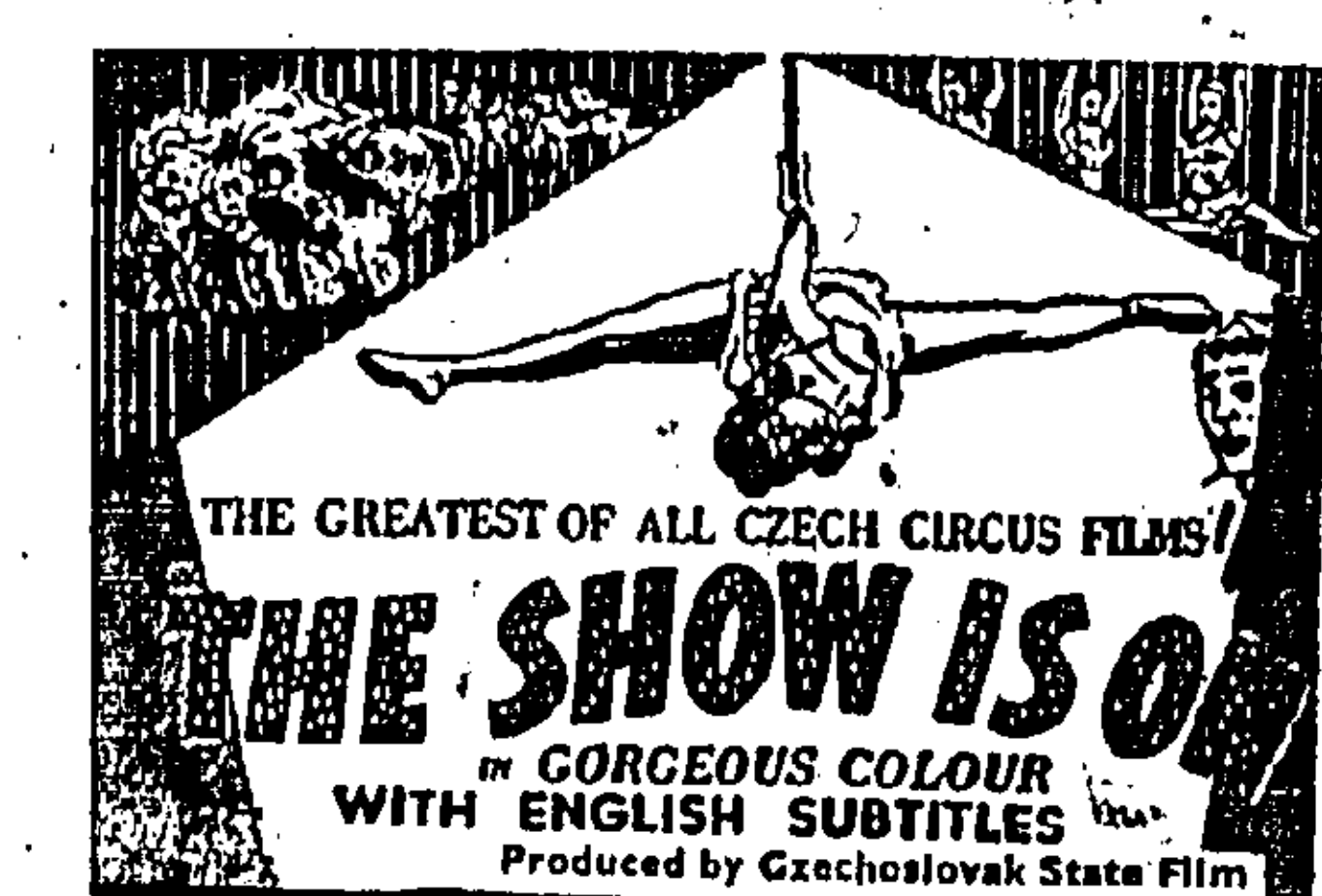
A Cantonese Opera
"PORTRAIT OF A BEAUTY"
Presented by SUN LEE NIN CANTONESE GROUP

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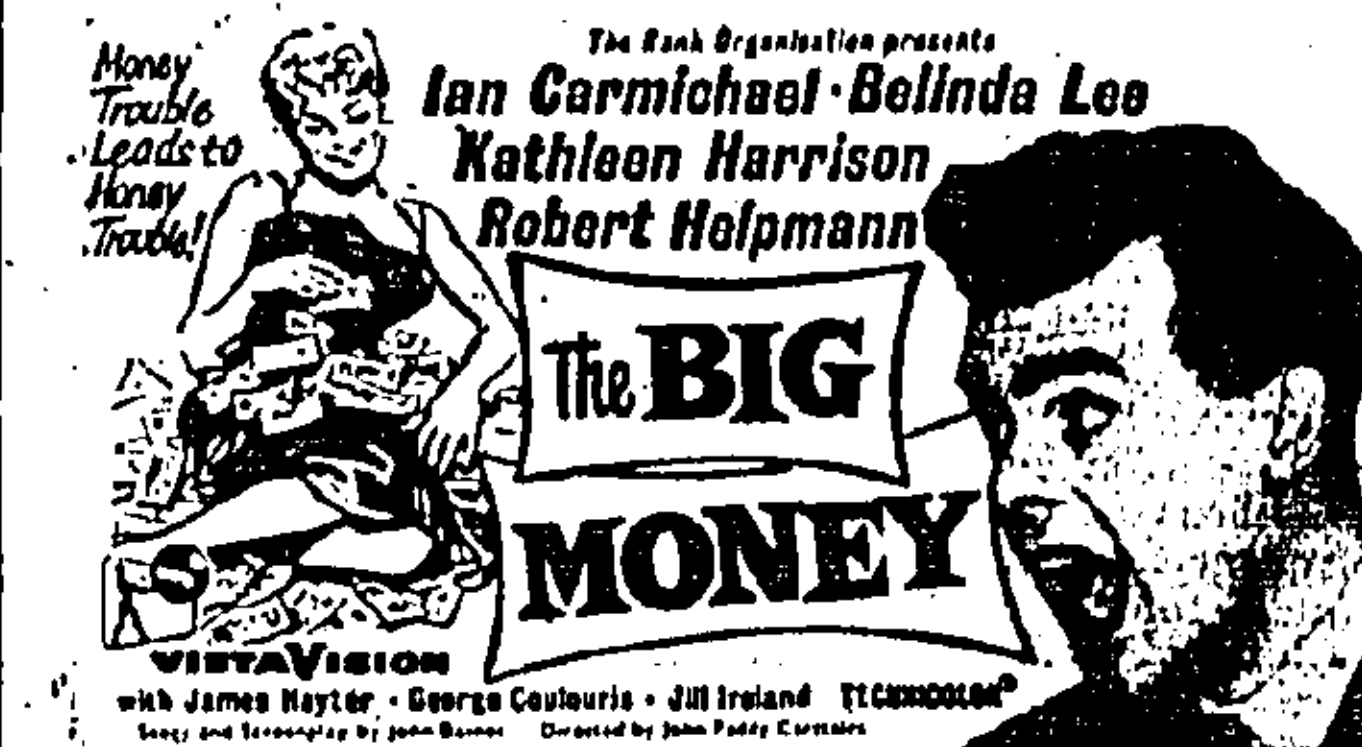


★ NEXT CHANGE ★



SHOWING TO-DAY AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.

CAPITOL



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CHINA MAIL ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

FILMS
KING'S & PRINCESS: "King Creole," Elvis Presley, Carolyn Jones.
LEE: 8 p.m. Cantonese Opera "Portrait of a Beauty."
ASTOR: "The Thief of Bagdad," Conrad Veidt, Sabu, June Duprez.
HOOVER & RITZ: Ernest Hemingway's prize winning story "The Old Man and the Sea," starring Spencer Tracy.
ROXY & BROADWAY: "The Roots of Heaven," Errol Flynn, Juliette Greco, Trevor Howard, Eddie Albert, Orson Welles.
STAR & METROPOLE: "The Vikings," Kirk Douglas, Tony Curtis, Ernest Borgnine, Janet Leigh.
ORIENTAL & MAJESTIC: "Rally Round the Flag Boys," Paul Newman, Joanne Woodward, Joan Collins, Jack Carson.
CAPITOL: "The Big Money," Ian Carmichael, Belinda Lee, STATE: "Calendar Girl," Li Mei, Chang Chung-wen, Peter Lee.
PARAMOUNT: "A Time to Love and a Time to Die," John Gavin, Lilo Pulver.
NIGHT SPOTS
CARLTON: Mario Frasca and His Combo.
PRINCESS GARDEN: Martine Molina, "The Turkish Delight," "Dance Oriental" and Hollywood star Donna Kaye. Featuring Thelma Toledo, "The Voice with a Magnet."
PARAMOUNT: Ventrolouquist Luo Dupont and his puppets; Zachary "a la Nat King Cole" and Chong Che Chung in his sensational fire-spinning acts. Music by Vic Luna and His Sextet. Pianist Larry Allen in the Cocktail Lounge.
BLUE HEAVEN: Brazilian Dancer Gina Montez and the

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

Now that every spoiled one in the City is puzzled by a child—who wants to be the prospectus of Iron King—has to put out like Bonny Babs Bardot, the close-ups of many a repulsive face will undergo a change. At present we are confronted by a gaping chasm of a mouth into which cattle could drive 40 herds. And at either edge of the chasm is a lip like the tyre of a 20-ton lorry. The post will eliminate the chasm, but the tyres will be even thicker.

(ENTER) Runamok, an Eskimo playboy.

Getting things done

SOL HOGWASH had ordered an old-fashioned song for a film he was making. An executive suggested Tolstoy's "Goodbye." Word came back that all they could trace by Tolstoy was a song called "Annie Corrie Nina." Would that do? Then someone said: "But that's by Tosty." "Who cares who it's by?" shouted Hogwash. "Use it."

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Author Of Sex Article Resigns

London, Mar. 5. The author of a controversial article on modern sexual relations resigned from the British Medical Association today when it halted circulation of the booklet in which her essay is printed.

An Association spokesman said the step was taken because the book had received violent criticism as being "too frank." He said the matter would be considered at a meeting on March 25.

Dr. Winifred de Kok, who wrote an article entitled "Is Chastity Outmoded?" called the action of the Association "extremely stupid and misguided."—U.P.I.

US\$25 Mil.

TV Deal For Como

New York, Mar. 5. SINGER Perry Como's agent here announced today that Mr. Como had signed a US\$25-million television contract with a food manufacturing concern which, he said, was the largest individual deal in the history of television.

The agent, Mr. Harry Sobel, said that the amount of money involved was for 104 weeks, and included programming, guest stars, time and all costs of production. The contract provides that Mr. Como will appear in 66 colour shows for the National Broadcasting Company during the two-year period.

Reuter.

In Your Saturday Mail

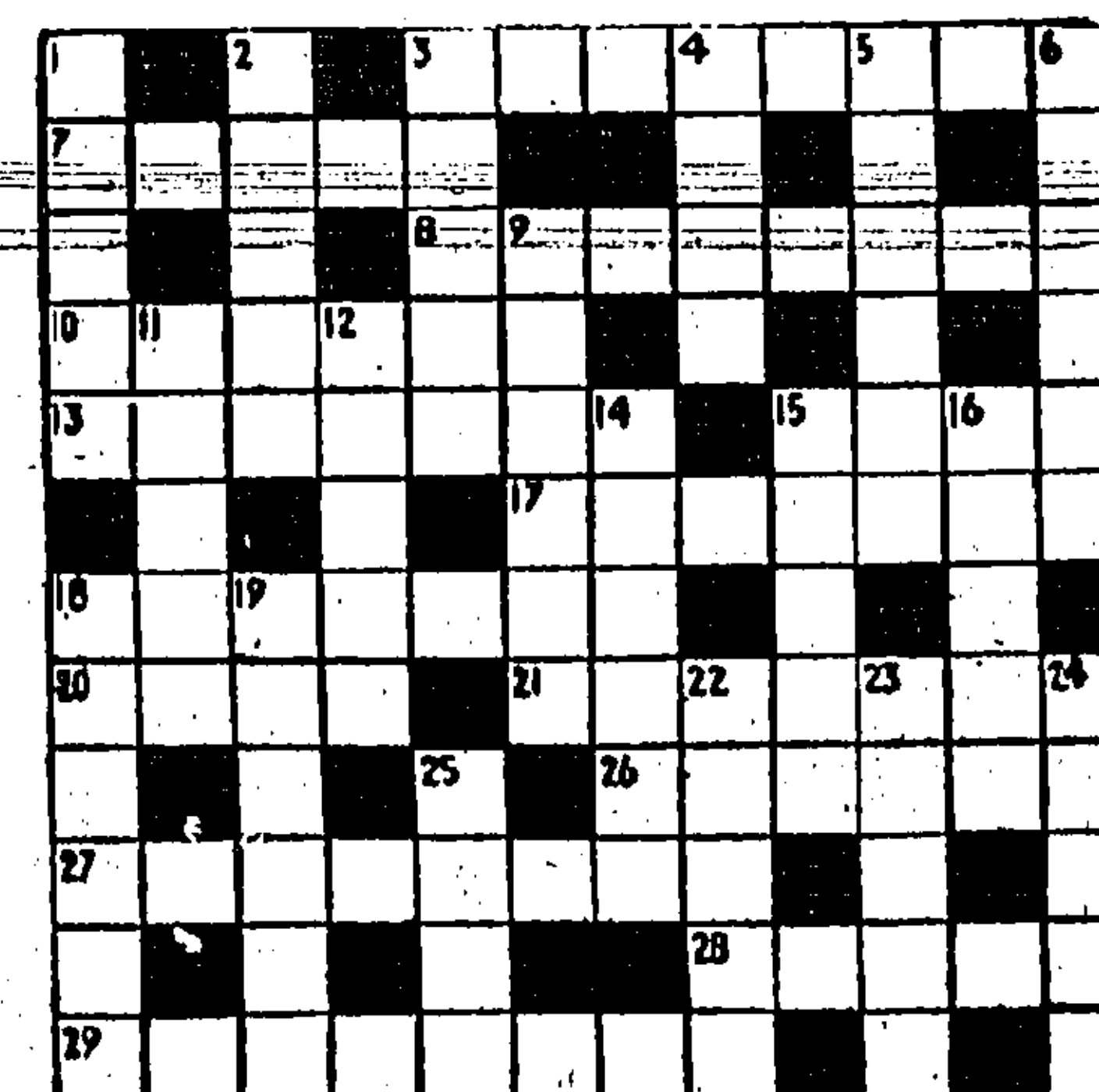
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A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Bitten severely (8).
 - 7 Proportion (5).
 - 8 Undiplomatic (8).
 - 10 Sotto-voice remarks (10).
 - 13 Goes away suddenly (7).
 - 16 Top liner (7).
 - 17 Ingredient (7).
 - 18 Protection (7).
 - 20 Dried up (4).
 - 21 Losses (7).
 - 26 Outcast (6).
 - 27 Royal lady (6).
 - 28 Trunk (8).
 - 29 Diabolically (8).
- DOWN**
- 1 Trample (5).
 - 2 One of great fortitude (5).
 - 3 Tribal emblem (5).
 - 4 Towards (4).
 - 5 Bring into being (6).
 - 6 Wilderness (5).
 - 9 Appearance (6).
 - 11 Drain (5).
 - 12 Challenged (5).
 - 14 Slumbers (6).
 - 15 Dumb (5).
 - 16 Girl's name (5).
 - 18 Moistened (6).
 - 19 Having a limit (10).
 - 22 Unpleasant (5).
 - 23 Saltpetre (5).
 - 24 Fire (5).
 - 25 Mark of a wound (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD:—Across: 1 Result, 5 Deeds, 8 Oriel, 9 Minute, 10 Lucid, 11 Saved, 12 Dais, 13 Tests, 16 Modest, 18 Leased, 20 Seers, 22 Ogo, 23 Altar, 25 Value, 26 Dotard, 27 Ered, 28 Studs, 29 Defend. Down: 1 Remedies, 2 Bonable, 3 Lots, 4 Treason, 5 Deleted, 6 Bludes, 7 Drift, 14 Stagnate, 15 Splendid, 16 Masters, 17 Decided, 19 Erased, 21 Exalt, 24 Code.

"YOU CAN'T MEET RUSSIAN FORCES IN A LIMITED WAY...."

The War Threat In Berlin

McElroy speaks on plans for any emergency

Washington, Mar. 5. Mr. Neil McElroy, the United States Secretary of Defence, said today that if hostilities broke out in Berlin it would be very difficult to keep them limited.

He told a press conference in reply to questions that he did not see how the West could avoid meeting Russian forces in the event of hostilities there — "And you cannot meet the Russian forces in a limited way."

Mr. McElroy also said he assumed that ground forces would be used to keep open access to West Berlin in the event of a Communist blockade of the city.

He declared that the United States was not assuming that there would be exclusive reliance on an airlift to supply Berlin.

It might be a combination of airlift and ground force, he said.

Plans

Mr. McElroy said the United States was not doing anything special at the moment in the way of taking physical actions to prepare for a possible emergency in Berlin.

They were, however, doing a great deal of planning to meet all possible contingencies.

"And as far as the moves we may make are concerned, these are being specifically considered," he observed.

He refused to give any details of these studies, saying that there was a possibility of mis-

understanding by both sides (the West and the Soviet Union) through actions that might be taken prematurely.

Mr. McElroy said that he had no reason to think that the Berlin crisis, as it stood now, was any more serious than other crises they had had to handle in other areas of the world.

"All these potential conflict points, like Lebanon and Quernoy and Mainz, as well as Berlin, are potentially very inflammatory," he declared.

No Surprise

Mr. McElroy said that the Berlin crisis was still in the realm of political negotiation and that it was impossible to say what would happen prior to May 27, the date on which the Russians have indicated that they intend to surrender their occupation functions to the East German authorities.

Mr. McElroy also said that the launching of a surprise attack by the Soviet Union was "almost an impossibility."

Preparations for an attack heavy enough to wipe out hundreds of thousands of vital targets in the free world would be observed and noted before the attack could be launched, he said.—Reuter.

ARSONIST,

AGE 7,

ARRESTED

Bristol, March 5. A seven-year-old boy was taken to a police station here last night after two fires had been discovered on post office property.

He was accused of the fires, another earlier yesterday in a builder's yard, and several other recent outbreaks.

The boy was later taken to a remand home, and a police spokesman said: "Because of his age, he cannot be charged, and it is difficult to know what to do about him."

"Police are making inquiries about his home conditions to see whether he is in need of care and protection."—China Mail Special.

DISASTER

Durban, March 5. Twenty-five natives were killed and 23 critically injured near Matatiele, East Griqualand, today when a bus they were in plunged in a deep ravine.—U.P.I.

STATE

TO-DAY
At 2.30; 5.15; 7.20 & 9.30 P.M.



Saturday & Sunday 5 Shows
Extra Performance at 12.15 p.m.

Aborigine elected a form captain

Melbourne, March 5. A 12-YEAR-OLD coloured girl has become captain of her form in a Melbourne girls' high school.

When the aboriginal girl, Marjorie Tye, started at Box Hill Girls' Technical School two months ago, only two of the 25 girls in her form knew her.

But that did not stop them electing her captain. Marjorie said today: "I had no idea they would elect me. I felt funny at first, I was so excited."

She said her duties were to see that the room was in order every morning and, if the teacher was away, to sit in front of the class and keep order.

"The girls obey me," she said, "but I have to tell some of them two or three times to stop talking before they do."

The girl Marjorie beat by one vote, Betty Peterson, said: "Everyone loves Marjorie. She is firm but gentle."—China Mail Special.

The Royal Air Force's Newest Weapons

Size and power of Bomber Command

London, Mar. 5. New radar equipment now being developed for Britain's latest Victor bombers will enable a radar map of the size of the United States to be made in one sortie by four of these aircraft, Mr. George Ward, Secretary for Air, disclosed tonight.

He told the House of Commons, in a debate on the Royal Air Force, that one Victor would be able to cover an area equal to the whole of the Mediterranean in a single radar reconnaissance flight and could give a count of the total number of ships in the area.

Advantage

Mr. Ward said that later versions of the Victor and Vulcan, two of the three types of Britain's "V-Bombers," would have a better ceiling, longer range and above all the great advantage of being able to carry the powered bomb.

This bomb enables aircraft to avoid flying through hostile defences. It is released some distance from the target and then flies on under automatic navigation control towards the target.

Mr. Ward said development of both the aircraft and the powered bomb was going ahead very well.

A full-scale weapon had been carried on the aircraft and

tested aerodynamically and there had been successful experimental launchings of models. During the coming year, test launchings of a full-scale version would begin.

Mr. Ward said the size and power of Bomber Command grew, it was more important to protect it from possible destruction on the ground.

Readiness

V-bombers were therefore organised to be kept in a high state of readiness.

"We are steadily improving this state of readiness and a technique of getting four aircraft airborne within six minutes of a signal being passed to the crews in their disposal accommodation on the airfield is now practised by all the V-bomber squadrons," he said.

Other points Mr. Ward made in his progress report were:

★ Thor Rocket: The R.A.F. had made remarkable progress in handling their first ballistic missile, the American Thor. The first Thor squadron was carrying out operational training on the weapons.

P.I. PROBE REVEALS:

Fake Marriages Racket By Chinese Girls

Manila, March 5. The Philippine Immigration Commission announced that Chinese women who are young, single and unaccompanied will be prohibited from touring the Philippines.

Immigration Commissioner Emilio Galang announced the new policy, aimed at "faked marriage contracts" after denying a temporary visitor's visa to Ng San-kam, 28, who, he said, was young, single and wanted to travel alone.

Galang said that in the past quite a number of young Chinese women tourists had come to the Philippines "for some dubious rather than a legitimate purpose."

Exciting Country

He was referring to young Chinese women who came here on temporary visitor's permits and then were reported as having entered "faked marriage contracts" with Filipino citizens so that they could stay permanently.

Miss Ng's application was filed by Que Cho-he, a Manila Chinese businessman who said the woman wanted to "visit relatives and enjoy the climate and scenery of this exciting country."—U.P.I.

ODD FISH

Warsaw, Mar. 5. A fishing vessel netted a war-time torpedo yesterday in coastal waters five miles off the mouth of the Vistula river.

The odd fish was draped with an assortment of nets, indicating how many times it had got away.—U.P.I.



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

THE NEWS COVERAGE OF THE ROYAL VISIT MAY BE SEEN ON REDIFFUSION TELEVISION ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS AND TIMES.

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★ SATURDAY 7th 9 p.m.

TELEVISION NEWSREEL—THE ROYAL VISIT.

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A REVIEW OF THE FIRST TWO DAYS OF THE ROYAL VISIT IN WEEKLY NEWS REVIEW.

★ SUNDAY 8th 9.15 p.m.

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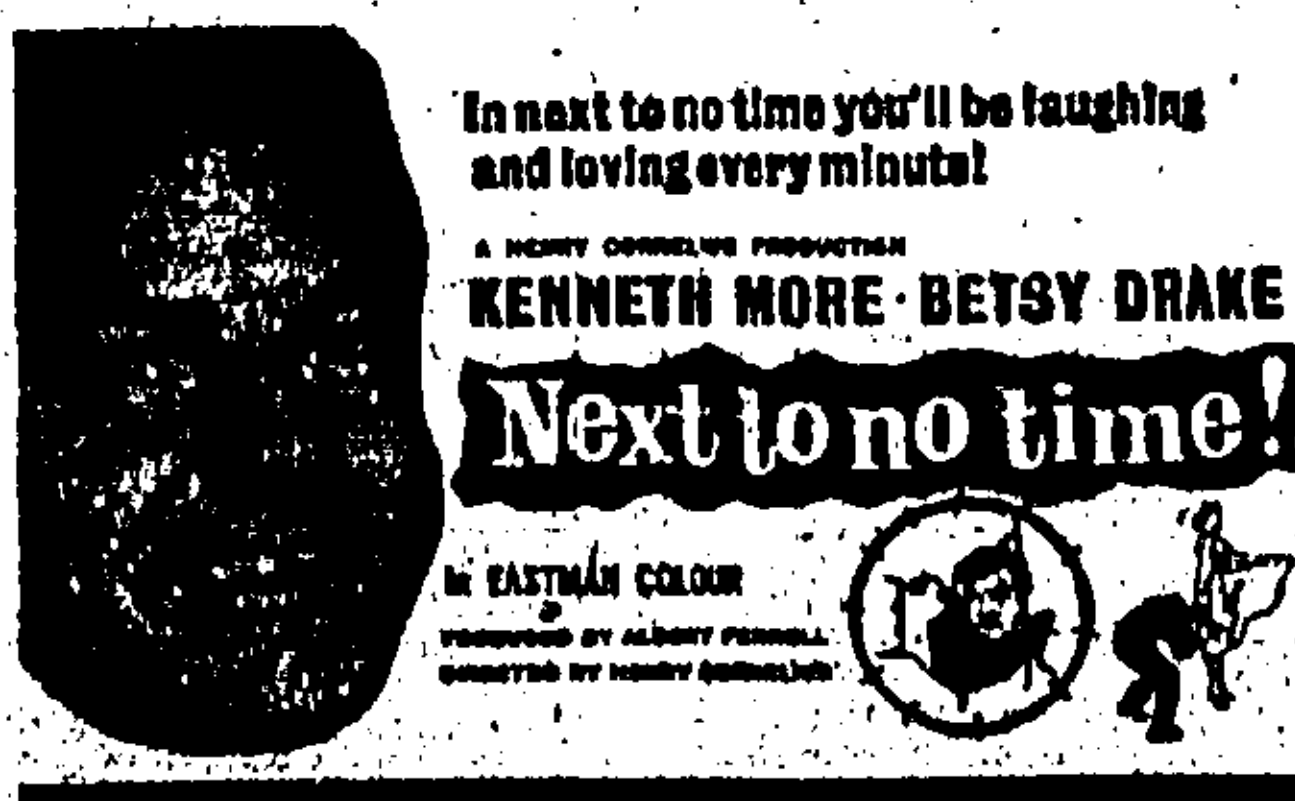
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WOMANSENSE

Feminascope by Joy Matthews ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

The Bra gets a break!

IN: The Stick-it-together Fastener . . . OUT: Zips, hooks & eyes



"Cat" Hairline

Paris, Mar. 4. Women, soft and fluffy as Persian kittens, will wear the "Cat" hairline this season. French top hairdressers decorated in a display of high-fashion hair-styling presented today in one of the smartest Champs Elysees restaurants. The new hair-styles, short, airy, natural, sweep away behind the ears into extra width

at the sides, and taper neatly away into the nape of the neck. They come in the tawny gold "Persian Cat" tones and variegated shades of the wild cats. The effect, essentially feminine, harmonises perfectly with the new soft "natural" dresses launched by top French dress designers a month ago. —France-Press.

YOUR BIRTHDAY . . . By STELLA

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

BORN today, you have exceptional vision and insight. You are able to see far ahead into the future. Others may not believe in this talent of yours, but never let them persuade you to deny it to yourself. It is a special gift of the stars and, when properly used, can be of great value throughout your entire life. With you, it can be the deciding element between success and failure. If you deny it, you will be "non-sensational" all the time, you will err in judgment. Although you may appear to be a conciliatory sort of person, you do have a firm will which is often excited to surprise those who think you are an "easy mark." Since you are attractive to members of the opposite sex, you will have scores of friends. You must never wed in haste, for you are exacting in your temperamental requirements, and must find just the right person to fit in with your needs if you are to have continual peace and contentment at home. You have a fine sense of humor and a talent for writing poetry or prose. You have the sense of the dramatic and you understand



THERE is an old Wall Street adage that the bull gets a little, the bear gets a little and the hog gets nothing. Hogliness caused South to throw away a lay down small slam in an effort to score 30 points for an extra trick. He won the opening heart lead with his ace and led the deuce of clubs to dummy's queen. Now South cashed dummy's ace of spades, returned to his hand with the ace of diamonds and ran off his three top spades. The three losing diamonds were discarded from dummy and the fact that the spade suit did not break failed to disturb

NORTH 28	
♦ A K Q 7	
♥ 10 8 5 3	
♦ A Q 10 8 3	
EAST	
♦ 10 9 7 5 2	
♥ 10 9 6 2	
♦ K 2	
♥ K 9 6 4	
SOUTH (5)	
♦ K Q 7 8 6	
♥ A 5 4	
♦ A Q	
♥ 7 2	
No one vulnerable	
South West North East	
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass	
2 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass	
3 N.T. Pass 6 N.T. Pass	
Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♥ J	

South in the slightest. East would not be mean enough to fall to win the queen of clubs if he had held the king so the club finesse was proven. South was right about that. He led the jack of clubs and West covered with the king but East showed out. Now South was stuck in dummy with no means of avoiding the loss of a trick to West's nine of clubs, and once East got in with that card he held the king of diamonds to set the hand. South's initial club play had been fine but once the queen of clubs held he should have played the ace of spades and then the ace of clubs. He still would have made seven if the king of clubs had fallen under the ace but in any event he would have made six by giving up a club trick.

♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
You, South, hold:
♦ A 7 5 3 2 ♠ A 4 3 2 0
What do you do?
A—Pass. You have also points but game is very doubtful and you have no convenient bid.
TODAY'S QUESTION
Instead of bidding two diamonds your partner has rebid to two hearts. What do you do now?
Answer: Two over.

THE BURR and the bra have now got together. The new Swiss idea that has revolutionised fastenings in the States has now made its bow in Paris—with the bra.

Christian Dior have taken the idea up and will be launching a new model bra very soon. This new stick-together cuts out zips, buttons, hooks and eyes, or even safety pins.

HOW IT'S MADE

IT CONSISTS of two pieces of nylon that feel rather like one of those clinging burrs you find in the woods.

In fact the Swiss who invented it actually thought of the idea while he was on a mountain holiday and the burrs kept sticking to his woolen socks.

One side feels like a piece of railway plush velvet. The other is composed of hundreds and hundreds of tiny hooks.

When the two sides get together the hooks become embedded in the plush and it takes a definite effort to tear them apart.

'THINKING ABOUT IT'

SO FAR the English manufacturers are only thinking about this new idea. One said: "We are investigating it and have made a prototype." Another said: "We are doubtful about it."

Two had never heard of it, and yet another said that they might do it one day. Meanwhile the Americans have been using it for about four months now. Yet the invention comes from Switzerland—only two hours travelling by plane from London.



RECORDING ARTIST Clare Nelson, who also models, is a new-fashioned singer with old-fashioned ideas on beauty.

Singer's Grandma Left "Legacy" For Loveliness

By JEANNE D'ARCY

SHE may be a new-fashioned singer but, when it comes to the beauty, recording star Clare Nelson is strictly an old-fashioned girl.

Try new beauty routines? Not Clare!

Grandma's "Legacy"

"My grandmother left me a 'legacy for loveliness,'" says this pretty young thrush, "and I adhere to it."

The "legacy" is a list of beauty tips that Grandma gave Clare's mother, who passed them on to Clare. Do they work? You bet they do!

Proof of their worth is the fact that Clare, whose recording of "You're Nobody 'Til Somebody Loves You" is climbing high on best-selling record lists, not only sings but models, too. And a model has to be attractive!

Try These Tips

Want to try some of the tips in Grandma's "Legacy for Loveliness"? Here they are:

1. After face-washing, apply a small amount of witch hazel

to close pores and tighten skin. Store the witch hazel in the refrigerator so it's chilled for each application.

2. Eat an orange first thing in the morning and last thing at night to keep gums healthy.

3. When giving hair 100 strokes each night, bend the head forward for the last 50 to brush dust out of hair, not into it.

4. Set hair in rags for smooth but soft curls.

5. Powder lips with talcum—it's lighter than face powder—before applying lipstick.

6. Use petroleum jelly on eyelids to give them lustre.

7. Rub a pumice stone on heels often to avoid roughened skin.

8. After showering, cream elbows, back of feet and upper arms to smooth skin. If shoulders and back are oily, pat on alcohol.

9. Rub a cut lemon over hands to keep them white.

10. Don't just cream hands after doing dishes. Cream them before, too.

Can't Stand A Gourmet

London.

TWO American male cooks gave me their definitions of a gourmet recently.

The first was Paul Gallico, the rough-hewn, romantic author of "The Snow Goose."

"Gourmet is another word for pig!" he said. "I cannot stand the sort of person whose whole day is ruined by one bad meal. I've eaten the most terrible meals in the staidest homes but I'd never dream of saying 'This duck is like a rock.'"

For all that, Mr Gallico loves to cook.

"I hate the amateur cook," he told me. "You know what I mean—George, is doing his Beef Stroganoff tonight, and it all ends on the rolling with the guests hungry and angry."

He also hates women cooks. "All women cooks I've ever known were cross and sour. They bang down the plates with a snuff and walk round with a martyred air. Why do they make such a fuss about it?"

Traditional tea

The other was James Beard, top American cookery expert who has come here to truck down the traditional English tea. So far he has eaten one and a half teas per day. His verdict:—

The good West End hotels "Excellent as ever. Perfectly made toast and sandwiches, delicious cakes, and excellent tea well served."

The espresso: "Not awfully good pastries. Nothing as good as the Continental pastries around Bond Street used to be." "The pull-up cart": "Slab-cake, paper-wrapped, and not very nice. The pity is that the small cafes no longer make their own cakes."

The chain tea-shop: "I had a very nice sausage roll." The British Railways dining-car: "A nice toasted bun, and, out of research, I had some plum cake which wasn't bad."

Summing up tea, Mr Beard noticed the curious fact that there is not a single tea to be seen in the home of the middle class. "In the States everyone is mad about them, and we have them wherever we go."

Mr Beard's definition of a gourmet was short and sweet: "Anyone who eats broccoli!"

● New—a child deodoriser that sticks to the inside of a dustbin lid and disinfects the bin for about a month.

● A modelling plastic with added child-appeal is now in the shops. It smells of fudge. There are three colours that blend to make any colour you want. It can be used again and again or set into a permanent model.

By Jean Graham

Household Hints

Avoid over-cooking fish. It is done when the protein has coagulated and the small amount of connective tissue has been broken down. Use a low heat and cook slowly to prevent a dry, chewy texture.

Give extra flavour to cream soups by adding a bouillon cube while heating.

Don't throw away the last few tablespoons of leftover gravy. Put it into cream soup.

To save time in gravy-making keep browned flour on hand. It can be made in advance by heating flour in a shallow pan in the oven, shaking or stirring often to get an even, light hue. Cool and store in airtight container.

Season roast lamb quickly and easily by sprinkling with dry garlic dressing mix before cooking. Add more mix to the gravy as desired.

It's Hard To Be The Mother Of A Star

By GWEN ROBYNS

HOW does a mother feel when her young son measures his income, not in shillings a week, but in hundreds of pounds?

How would you feel if your son came into this remarkable category?

To find out I talked to the mothers of the 'pop singer' wonder boys.

That incredible handful of youngsters who in the past five years have shot from back street obscurity to the big time show business world.

And whose pockets have catapulted from a few shillings a week to several hundreds of pounds a week.

It's the mothers I went to see because I've got a hunch that any girl who wants to call herself Mrs Tommy Steele or Mrs Marty Wilde has to pass mother's test and be in her good books.

For these pop boys all have one thing in common. Mother is much more important in their lives than all the hysterical adulation of their girl fans or even wives.

SMOOTH TALK

In the show business world of smooth talk and big stuff, mother is the one secure anchor they cling to.

First call was on Mrs Jessie Smith (Marty Wilde's mother). The Smith family live on the ground floor of a small terraced house at Greenwich.

Marty (aged 18) wants to buy them a new house.

"But we won't move from the district as we don't want people to think that we've got big money," she told me.

"Of course it has disarranged our life," she said. "Dad—he's a bus conductor—used to have nice quiet evenings and now I spend writing letters to him."

Little girls who write to me: "Poor kids. Lots of them save up their coppers and travel home from all over the place just to ask me about Marty."

"I always ask them in and they sit there all nervous-like and goey while I play them Marty's records and tell them what colour his eyes are and answer all the questions they ask."

"Some of them even ask me for a lock of his hair."

Like most of the mothers, Mrs Smith controls Marty's money. Every week she takes his cheques along to the bank, on the corner (he earns around £500 a week).

"He never asks or knows how much money he has as long as I have it."

In their new place at Catford the front is lush with everything that money can buy.

But it is the back parlour I liked best. It is an exact replica of their old Brompton one.

And if Tommy starts to get big-headed, his mother says: "That Mrs Hicks will tell him off just like she did when I first met her and she told him to wash behind his ears."

SO PROUD

Laurie London (15-year-old ballad singer) has a mother with no-nonsense ideas, too.

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NO DISCORD

If you think that having a son little more than a schoolboy bringing home the big money causes a rift between husband and wife, you are wrong.

In each case I felt that the mothers were very happy in these working-class families. It was "out kid" every time. There were no jealousies or discord.

For as Mrs Smith said: "We kept him before when he was a boy and if his world goes, we'll do it again, he knows that."

For these are real mothers that money can't change.

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

An Underwater Visit

—Knaif Learns About Life In The Aquarium—

By MAX TRELL

KNAIF, the Shadow with the Turned About Name, put his face close to the glass of the aquarium and called out: "Alphonse! Suzanne!"

A moment later, the two goldfish who lived in the aquarium came swimming up, their mouths moving. Knaif heard them saying: "Knaif! Good morning to you! Are you coming in to see us?" "Yes," Knaif called back.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Sometimes I wonder if I LIKE birds!"

pebbles were hard and white and gleaming. "Please sit down," said Suzanne as she led Knaif to a pebble in front of a sort of cave in the back of the aquarium.

Red Snails

"It isn't often that folks drop down to pay us a visit," said Alphonse as he swam gracefully up and down in front of Knaif.

Two red snails came gliding over to pay their respects to Knaif.

"There's plenty to eat and lots of places to go to," said the second snail.

Suzanne whispered to Knaif while the two red snails were talking.

"They keep our windows clean," she said. "They crawl up and down the inside of the glass and eat all the green moss that grows on it."

The two snails crawled slowly off.

"Come and see us again," the first snail called back.

"We're always at home," said the second snail.

"They're quite right about that," said Alphonse to Knaif, after the two snails had left.

"We're always at home in this aquarium. It's just as hard for folks like us to leave the water and live in the air as it is for people to leave the air and live in the water."

"But here comes Tadpole!" "Now there's someone who lives in the water now but is going to be able to live in the air later," Suzanne said, as the Tadpole came swimming over, with a great flashing of his tail. He came to rest on the pebble right in front of Knaif.

Temporary Fish

He looks a little like a whale, Knaif said to himself.

"Say, what's this about my being able to live in the air?" the Tadpole said to Suzanne and Alphonse. "I'm a fish!"

"You're a fish now, dear," said Suzanne, patting him on the head with her fin, "but you're not going to be a fish later on."



Alphonse and Suzanne talk things over with Knaif.

"What am I going to be?" asked Tadpole.

"A Frog!" cried Suzanne and Alphonse and Knaif, all shouting in one voice.

The Tadpole went swimming off again.

"He much prefers to be a fish," said Suzanne, "but it won't hurt him a bit. He's going to turn into a Frog anyway."

Then Knaif said goodbye and left the happy family that lived in the aquarium.

Rupert and the Secret Boat—48



While the old lady is speaking the bird keeps flying round and round the little group. "As I dream of it, that's a parrot," she says shakily. Gregory looks at her to a boulder to recover from her bewilderment and, as the parrot, she says happily on her shoulder, he tells her the whole story. "You invited Rupert to see me."

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take care of me and it's been wonderful! he exclaims. May Rupert take care of me or any birdies?" Poor Granny Guinea pig doesn't say a word, but she gives him a very, very old-fashioned look.

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HONGKONG SAYS 'WELCOME'!



The Duke's Programme

HERE is a brief outline of the main events of the Duke's visit to Hongkong.

TODAY

Following the Britannia's entry into Victoria Harbour, the Governor, Sir Robert Black, boards the royal yacht to welcome the Duke. Then the Governor returns to Queen's Pier. At 2 p.m. the Duke lands at Queen's Pier where he is received by the Governor and introduced to Lady Black, Mrs. Barbara Black and the service chiefs.

He inspects the guard, then meets local dignitaries, including Executive and Legislative Councilors, members of the Consular Corps and Urban Councilors.

Then he drives to Government House where he inspects a Police guard of honour and meets officials responsible for arrangements of his visit.

Later he meets six Justices of the Peace, who on behalf of the people of the New Territories, present an address of welcome.

This is followed by the Garden Party. The Duke attends from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. during which about 100 Hongkong people will be presented to him.

In the evening the Duke makes a radio and TV broadcast from Government House and following this he and the Governor attend the banquet at the Ying King Restaurant being given by leading Chinese residents. This lasts about two hours.

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

This is a busy day for the Duke. He leaves soon after 8 o'clock for Kowloon for the big parade at Kai Tak. He goes via Nathan Road and passes under a 'pal lau'—a traditional Chinese ceremonial arch, and at 9 a.m. he arrives at the parade ground to witness the march past of service units.

From Kai Tak, he goes by the royal barge back to the Britannia, now in the Naval Dockyard. Then follows the reception on board the Britannia.

After lunch at Government House the Duke's next engagement is the laying of the foundation stone of the Queen Elizabeth hospital. After this he travels to Hangzhou to see over the Technical College and then follows a short helicopter flight with the Governor. His next engagement is the football match at the South China Athletic Association stadium where the Hongkong Combined Chinese play a representative team of non-Chinese players.

After this match they pass under another 'pal lau' ceremonial arch on their way back to Government House.

At night there is a dinner at Government House attended by service chiefs, the Chief Justice, the acting Colonial Secretary, the Bishop of Hongkong, members of the Executive Council and the Legislative Council and the Vice Chancellor of the University, and their wives.

And then the Youth Display. There, in between performances, a peach—symbol of longevity and prosperity—in accordance with Chinese tradition, is presented to the Duke. Two children, Ng Shun-lam aged 11 and Mary Leung aged 8, present gifts for Prince Charles and Princess Anne.

SUNDAY MARCH 8

On Sunday morning the Duke attends Matins at St John's Cathedral. During the service, the Duke reads the second lesson.

After an early lunch the Duke and the Governor begin a motor tour of the island. They visit Aberdeen Fish Market where he inspects a trawler and a long-liner.

The Duke's car passes under a third 'pal lau' ceremonial arch, as they leave Aberdeen.

Their next stop is at Sai Wan War Cemetery where he lays a wreath and inspects the cemetery.

The final ceremony is the official farewell. As the Britannia leaves, a 21-gun salute is fired by naval ships in port and by the Saluting Battery at Signal Hill, Kowloon. It is 4 p.m. Half an hour later the royal yacht steams through Lyemun. Another half an hour later the Britannia passes Tathong Point where the escort of three naval ships, Cardigan Bay, St Bride's Bay and Raleigh join the royal yacht and escort her until about 10 p.m.

CHAMPION OF YOUTH

London. SPORTSMAN, traveler, iconoclast — Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, is all these things. But above all—and this is less frequently publicised—he is the reigning champion of youth.

To date, the 37-year-old Prince has raised, largely by his own efforts, well over £1,000,000 for new children's playing fields in Britain.

He has pushed the cause of the 'National Playing Fields Association', of which he is president, personally on radio, television, film, and even on a record (shared, on the other side, by Frank Sinatra, another famous friend of youth causes).

His Award

Prince Philip has also taken a keen interest in another youth movement—the Outward Bound Trust, which runs schools to provide "character training" through "adventure" for boys and girls from all walks of life.

But probably the Prince's most imaginative gesture was the institution of the "Duke of Edinburgh's Award" in 1956.

Today, more than 1,000 British boys and girls wear this award (the Prince's cipher on a green background) proudly on their lapels. And every one of them has accomplished an expedition "with fortitude and resourcefulness," been physically fit, mastered a hobby "with intelligence and application," and trained for some useful human service or rescue work.

Prince Philip's belief that the spirit of adventure must not be allowed to die stems from his own love of outdoor pursuits.

For six years (1933-1939) he was a pupil of famous educationalists: Dr Kurt Hahn, a stickler for physical fitness and initiative.

As a young pupil of Dr Hahn in Germany, the Prince had to run on his toes for 400 yards before breakfast every day, sleep for several minutes, then do a prescribed number of press-ups. He was also expected to do his share of heavy physical labour, such as helping to build a clinker track, or a small sailing boat harbour.

Criticism

At Scotland's now-famous Gordonstoun School, to which Dr Hahn moved after Hitler's rise to power, his training be-

came even more rigorous. Included in the curriculum were hiking, climbing, exploring, sailing and riding. Small wonder that Philip developed a passion for the outdoors.

Prince Philip today supports any movement which aims to develop a similar outlook among Britain's often-castled youth. At times, though, his views have provoked bitter criticism.

On the touchy subject of conscription, he said in 1954 that military service was an im-

As I See The Duke

by SIR JOHN HUNT

THE name of the Duke of Edinburgh stands tremendously high in the popular esteem, particularly of the younger generation.

This derives from two sources: his personal interest and participation in activities and pursuits which catch the youthful imagination; and, more especially, he cares greatly about and believes in, young people themselves.

He is an enthusiastic supporter of many forms of sport and takes an active and skilful part himself in several of them: in cricket and polo among the team games; in sailing and flying among the adventurous sports.

If he had more time he would try his hand at many more.

Apart from the example of youthful vigour and enthusiasm which he presents and his forward-looking attitude to the discoveries and developments of our times, the Duke is never more at home than when he is among young people, in units, in clubs, and on the work-shop floor, chatting with them, sharing a joke, and encouraging them to keep an open enquiring mind, and to have a go at everything enterprising; above all, inspiring them, by his words and by his own splendid example, with the idea of service to their fellow-men.

portant character-building experience.

He was promptly attacked by left-wing Socialists, who said: "It would pay the Duke to remember that the British public will not tolerate such interference by members of the Royal Family."

One of the Prince's biggest concerns is Britain's lack of suitable playing fields. He once said indignantly: "For many generations, streets have been the accepted playground of children. But it does not have to go on like that."

In 1956, he "co-starred" with American Bob Hope in a fund-raising documentary film. Within a few weeks of its release, £94,000 had been collected for new playing fields.

The Prince is indefatigable in his efforts to raise funds. He will entertain at Buckingham Palace, movie producers, impresarios, businessmen, anyone who can help him. Once he attended a "campers' reunion" at London's giant Albert Hall—a frankly commercial undertaking by Billy Butlin—because the "Holiday Camp King" promised £7,000 for new playing fields.

The X Club

When he accepted the presidency of the National Playing Fields Association ten years ago, he said:

"Waterloo might have been won on Elton's playing fields, but the battle of recovery must be won on all the playing fields of Britain."

In 1949, at a party given by Lord Luke, chairman of the Association's national appeal committee, he caused a few "red faces" by saying: "However many parties you give me, I will not be satisfied until we have got it on its feet."

Money began pouring in. Charity concerts and private appeals—many of them organised by the Prince himself—brought huge cheques, including two for £16,000 each.

In fact, so busy did the Prince become with the Association's affairs that he had to



Here, in the quadrangle of Windsor Castle, the Duke of Edinburgh greets Queen's Scouts and holders of Scout Awards for Gallantry. The occasion was the National Scouts' Service at St George's Chapel, which was attended by Scouts from all parts of Britain and the rest of the Commonwealth.

form the "X Club" consisting of a dozen or so prominent men to carry on his duties as president while he was away on tours and other official duties.

He has personally opened many of the Association's fields. In 1952, he said: "I will go almost anywhere to see a new playing field opened." And, in May, 1955, he told an audience, with a directness that is typical of him: "Our strongest contribution comes from our ability to bully the right people."

Grand Scale

If the Prince has an admiration for one thing above all else it is for adventure on the grand scale. In 1934, he urged young people to "try to get around the world on 26."

Impossible? Not at all. Soon after he gave this advice, several Commonwealth lads were shouldering rucksacks and setting off with just a pocketful of silver.

The Prince is not only youth's champion; he is also its roving

ambassador. The cheery grin, the ready joke, the dislike of pomposity, the urge always to try something new—he typifies all that is best in the youthful outlook. His greatest asset is his ability to understand young people. The rest comes naturally.

When he was preparing his television talk on his world tour last year, he was asked if the whaling scenes were not "a little gory for children's eyes."

He retorted: "Certainly not! If my children are any guide, there is nothing they like more than 'a little blood.'"

It is this healthy, vigorous and, above all, realistic approach that ensures Prince Philip a long and successful reign as the champion of youth.

INSIDE THE ROYAL YACHT

MOST Hongkong people will have to be content with a view of the royal yacht Britannia from the outside but a lucky few will be going on board this miniature floating palace tomorrow and may see the plush interior.

Let's look around some of the main living rooms for a start. The drawing room has much of the laudably correctness of an upper-class Victorian music room, but nothing to suggest any lavish over-spending. It is gracious and spacious.

The walls are duck-egg blue, the curtains lime-green and the fitted carpet of delicate hyacinth. Over the fire place—a Norman Wilkins painting of the launching of the yacht from John Brown's yard.

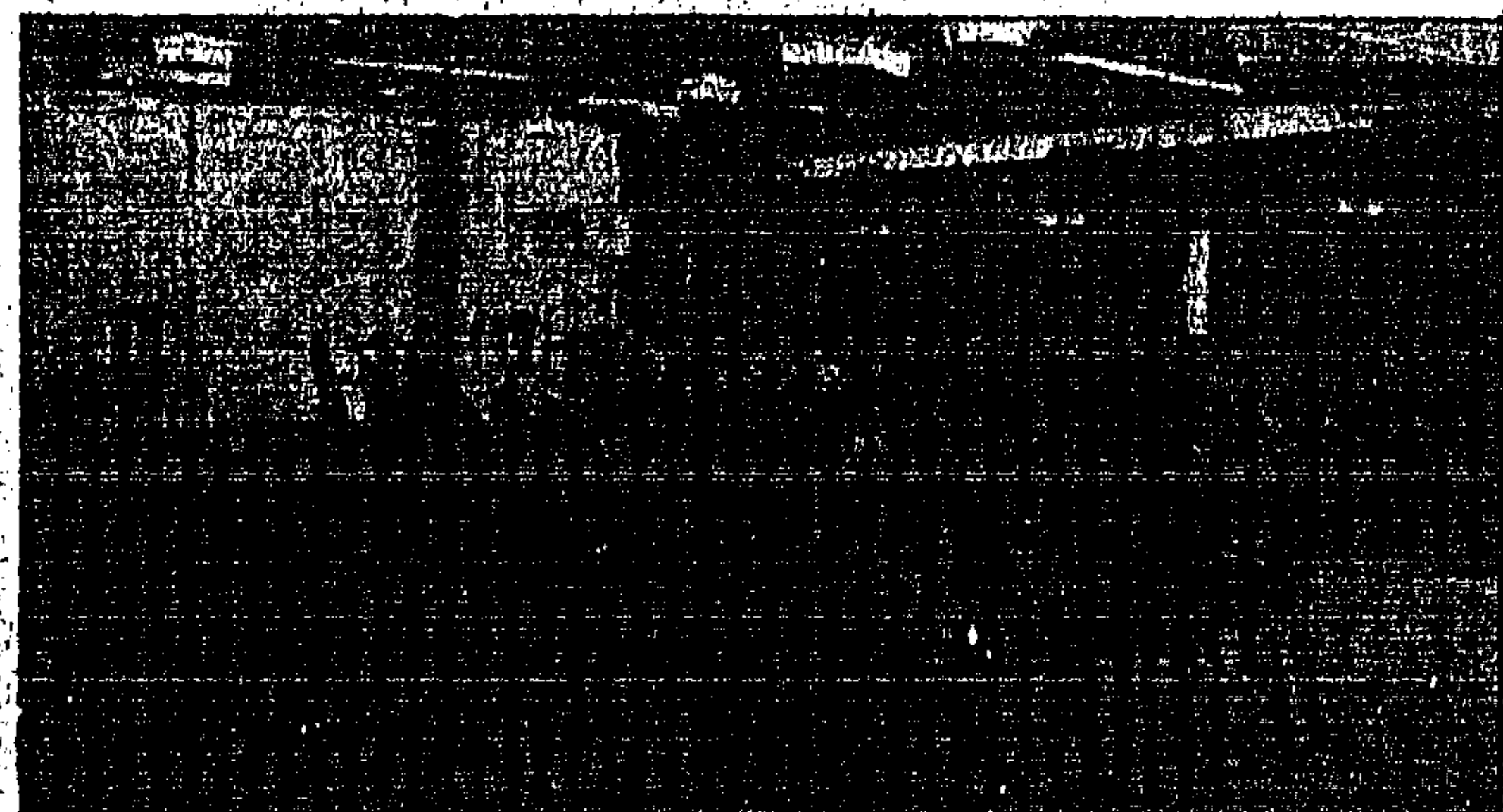
GRAND PIANO

Sevens and armchairs are covered with glazed chintz. There is a grand piano, a radio gramophone and a mahogany kneehole desk from the old royal yacht, Victoria and Albert. This room is divided from the dining room by folding doors. Dominating the 10 ft by 10 ft dining room is a huge 24-ft dark mahogany table edged with ebony which can seat 32.

by Peter Saxby

a prominent Fleet Street journalist who has been on board the royal yacht.

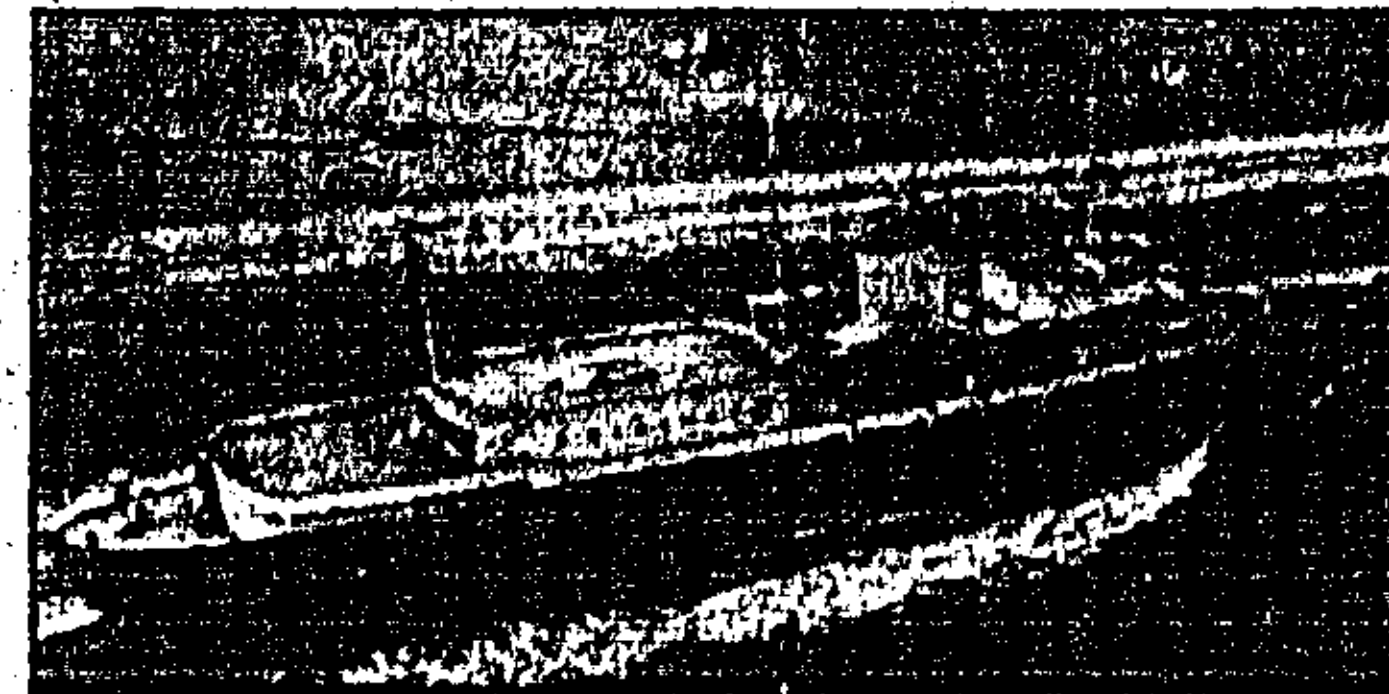
This room is also used as a cinema, the projectors being housed in the adjoining kitchen. There are Hopplewhite dining-chairs with blue leather seats.



This photograph shows the main dining room inside the royal yacht Britannia. It is an interior which many householders will envy and admire. It can be converted into a theatre for the screening of films.

with green leather on which rests a dictaphone. It has a moss-green fitted carpet and glazed chintzes of robed design cover her settee and armchairs and curtain the windows.

The Duke of Edinburgh has a similar long narrow private sitting room on the port side. This is lined in honey-coloured oak, carpeted with grey and curtained with navy and white.



Britannia—with her games decks showing prominently.

prided upon. Let in one wall time, she can easily work up to 20 knots. Like naval sloops, she has plenty of fuel storage tanks.

The royal sleeping apartments are all situated on the uppermost deck between the main and mizzen masts. The living rooms are below it, and another floor below are the cabins of the members of the royal household and guests. All cabins are air-conditioned.

Generally, the keynote can be said to be comfort without ostentation.

An interesting fact is that the bridge and the funnel of the Britannia are made of aluminium. This is to help reduce her topweight and so reduce rolling in heavy seas. She is also fitted with stabilisers. These stabilisers are retractable and are fitted on many modern liners to check the roll. In the case of the Britannia, it is said they reduce a 20-degree roll to six degrees.

Britannia's speed is an economical 15 knots. But when she wants to make up

HONOUR

She cost £2.5 million—or \$11,324 million—built. And she has been built so that she can be converted into a hospital ship in wartime. This is one of the reasons why the Queen did not want expensive furnishings. Her company consists of 20 officers and about 250 men, all specially selected. Officers serve up to two years but the men may remain royal yachtmen throughout their naval careers. One of the company has been in royal yacht service since 1925. It is a much coveted honour and there were as many as 1,600 applicants for these 250 places from ships and naval establishments at home and overseas.

Prince Philip, who was agricultural students in the laboratory of Wyke College during his visit in 1955.

WHAT THE DUKE WILL SEE

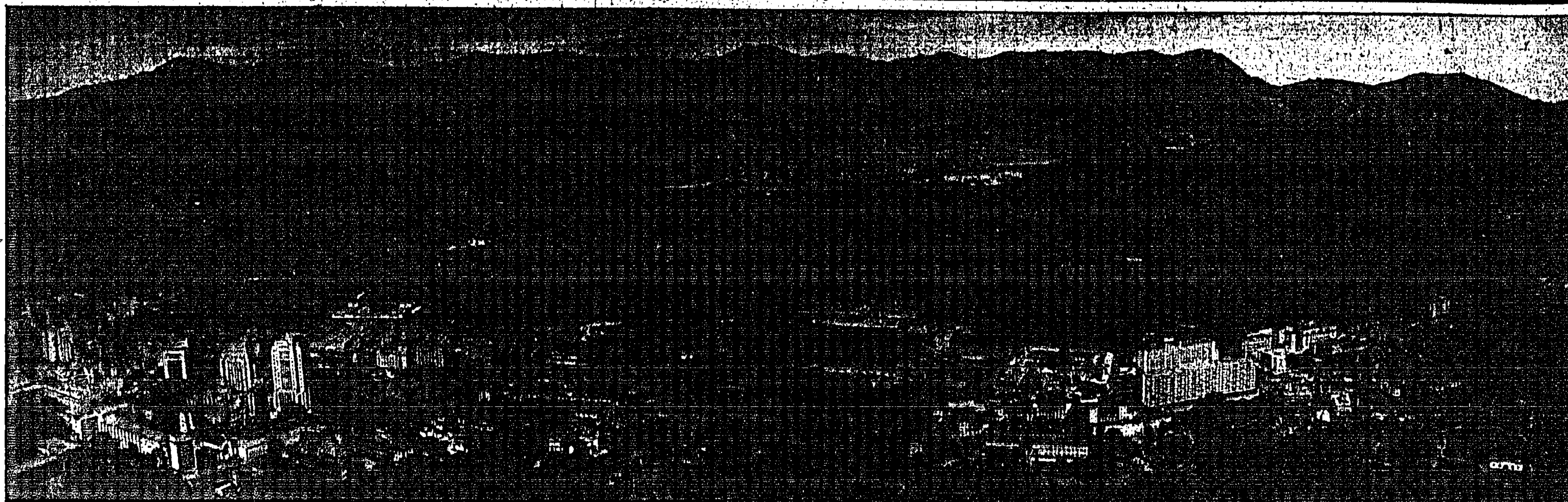
Tomorrow afternoon — weather permitting — the Duke and the Governor, Sir Robert Black, go up in a helicopter

for a 24-minute flight around Hongkong. In this short flight the Duke, with

the Governor at his side, will get as clear an idea of how this busy metropolis lives as he could by making a detailed road tour — which would be impossible in the short time he is here.

Here in 24 columns — a column for

every minute the Duke is in the air — William Smyly accompanies you on a trip around Hongkong, telling you the story behind these pictures of familiar but ever fascinating scenes of our colony.



Above: Hongkong and harbour.

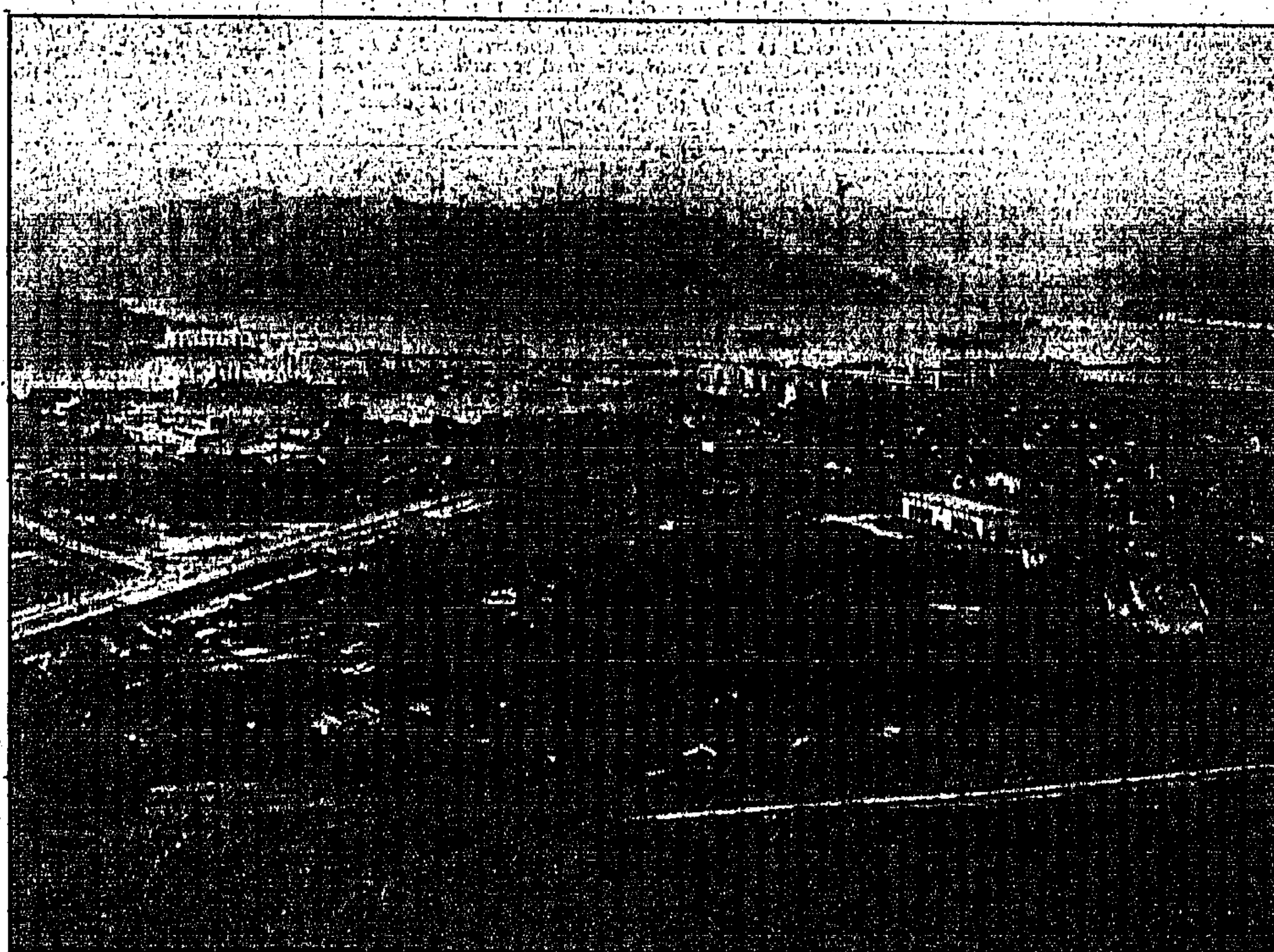
Where pirates once sailed for safety

TIME was when pirates owned and sheltered in the basin of Hongkong Harbour and made forays into the estuary of the Pearl River. And where pirates used to operate, the merchants followed and greater ships appeared. . . . four-masted square-rigged ships and tea clippers, then wood and metal paddle steamers and coal-burning, sail-assisted craft, and then the great sea liners of more modern times and the thousands of movements (4,291 last year) of great ocean going ships that pass through Hongkong.

Movements of what, for what? How can this city survive?

Cut off as China's surviving place for entrepot, Hongkong continues to prosper as a centre for free trade. The Hongkong dollar is one of the world's most stable currencies. It is also a freely negotiable one. Here banks, business houses, and hotels rise floor on floor and firms and shops and restaurants clamour for space in each new well placed building. Our ground rents are among the highest in the world. A square foot of central Victoria is worth twice the price of any foot of ground in central London. With less than twenty-five yards of street for every one of our 37,000 vehicles that use them, the saturation point should have been reached already. But the motor trade is still worth millions and shows no signs of flagging. And the colony absorbs 300 new registrations every month.

Hongkong's miracle of survival continues—for Hongkong has not lost faith in herself.



Above: Tsun Wan.

GREAT SPACE

TODAY to this thriving metropolis the world's most modern aircraft swoop in from the sea. Below them as they drop through clouds an archipelago of rugged islands strike up steeply and inhospitably through the sea and turn upon their axes as the plane comes down almost to a level with their peaks, dives through the gateway of Lyemun by which the royal yacht Britannia too entered Hongkong Harbour, and swoops in towards Kai Tak.

This place, once a bumpy field used by a weekly mail plane and a flying club, now reaches out a \$125 million runway for which trucks transported an entire hill and dumped it in the sea and for which a fleet of barges cast up dredgings and quarried stone to produce from the same jagged islands a modern flying field for the greatest craft on earth.

Today, in a year, it handles 9,000 air movements, 250,000 passengers, 3,500 tons of air freight, and 14 million letters weighing 100 tons. Yet the development is not complete.



Above: Kai Tak.

the Merchant has settled at peace

HOW does Hongkong's prosperity endure?

Partly by new industry which raised an export figure last year of \$2,983,800,000.

When troubles at home blew security and business from Shanghai industrial giants were carried to Hongkong. These were not the men who had sailed away a comfortable padding for themselves and sucked their country dry. Those went to other lands for asylum. Many of those who came here came with little but their brains and experience to guide them. But some brought to Hongkong a nucleus of their plant and workers, and here they floated loans and re-equipped new factories. This was how the textile and the plastics growth began in Hongkong, and how they spread out in the valley of Tsun Wan and other places to their present size. And some men here who now are millionaires arrived in Hongkong not many years ago destitute of everything but their own invention and courage. Here in Hongkong, they made for themselves an opportunity to win back a place to live in the world.

Chief industries built up by this influx from Shanghai were textiles, where exports today are worth about \$600 million, and plastics, around \$11 million, but employ a relatively higher number. More than 180,000 men are employed here in industry and live upon Hongkong's ability to support herself in the world. Government too is a great employer with public works expenditure around \$200 million a year, and a total investment in rehousing projects alone that must pass \$300 million.

LARGE CROWDS

HONGKONG has housed two million new citizens since the war. Many settled on hillsides till disastrous fires drove them from their homes. To rehouse them the Hongkong Government has invested over \$80 million in "Resettlement" blocks that house 200,000 and will invest perhaps double this amount on low cost housing.

The resettlement block houses 2,000 people on seven floors of box-like room spaces with communal facilities with rentals from \$10 a month for 86 square feet enough for a family.

A newer answer for rents between \$60 and \$138 a month is provided by the Hongkong Housing Authority with five schemes the first of which was a \$33 million project at Java Road, North Point. 6 1/2 acres, 1,555 self-contained flats on 11 storeys with lifts, schools, clinics, 71 shops, and now 12,000 people, 30,000 more will be housed this way at a cost of \$50 million. Hongkong is paying for this huge total bill itself.



Top: Resettlement blocks. Below: Java Road Housing Estate.

A matter of saving up rain - drops

WHEN the founding fathers of Hongkong reconnoitred these islands to provide a permanent British settlement near the approaches to Canton there were two islands that they had to choose from. One was rugged and quite inhospitable. It was even held by some that the ground carried sickness and could not be dug or turned. The other was settled and prosperously farmed in several valleys. But the founders chose the most rugged, Hongkong Island, in preference to Lantau because of water.

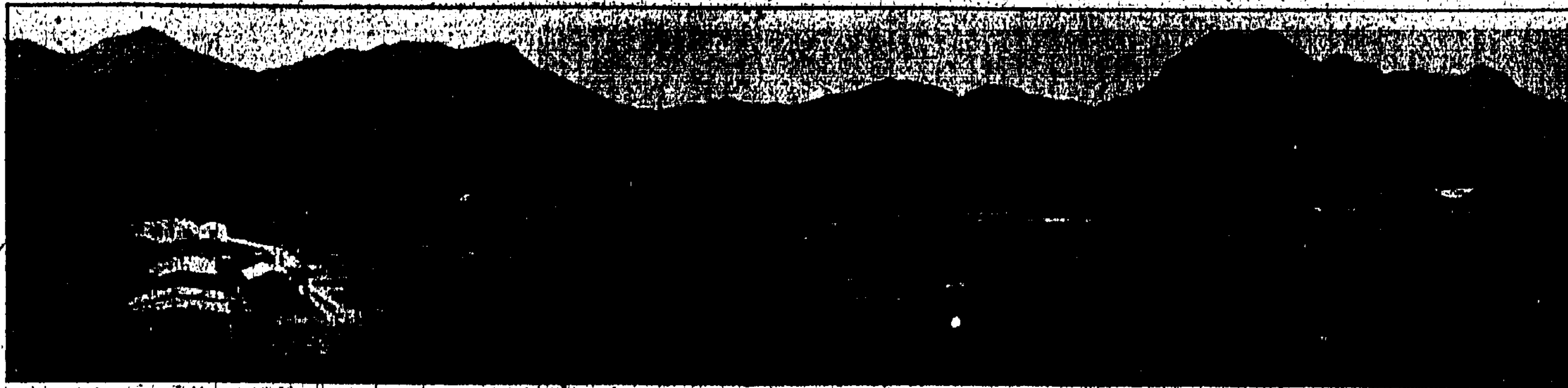
In Hongkong rain comes in short torrential bursts, some of violent ferocity. In a few minutes huge drains that run down our mountainsides and under the town are raging channels of white foam that roar and tear away large chunks of their retaining walls, and sometimes even carry away pieces of hillsides, roads, and garden lots. That is our rain. And it comes for so short a while that all our water for three million people and our growing industries must be stored in reservoirs large enough to last for the rest of the year.

We now have 14 reservoirs that hold 10,500 million gallons. The biggest is the latest Tai Lam Chung — with 4,500 million gallons held by a 1,200 foot dam. Next comes Shek Pik which will be even larger . . . 5,300 million gallons will flood a deep wide valley.

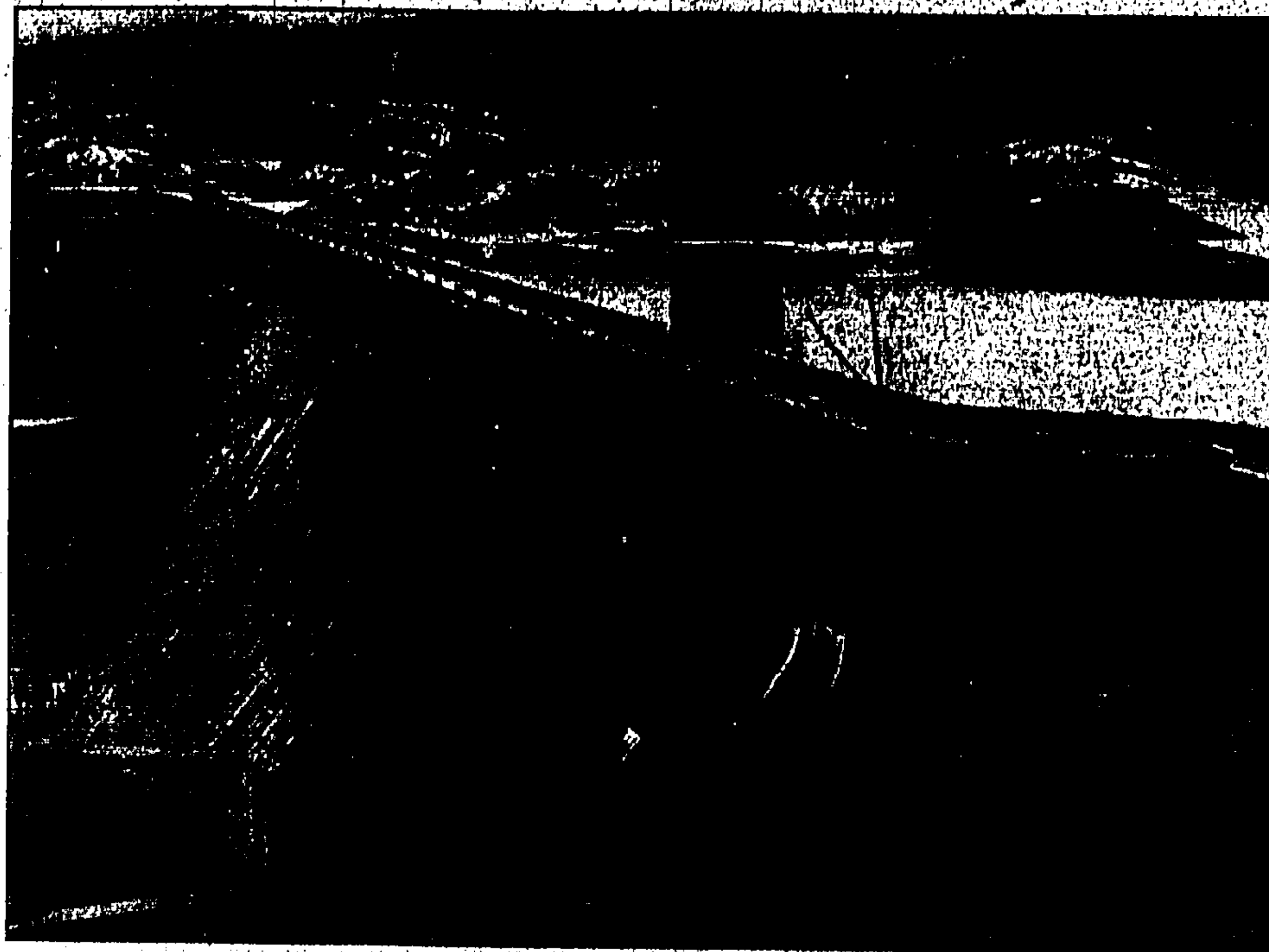


But the latest and most original plan of all is also the oldest. Six hundred years ago dykes were built to seal off salt flats and turn them into fields. Throughout Hongkong these old sea walls have crumbled, but have not been washed away. In Castle Peak, Shatin, around Tolo Harbour, and over near Salkung there are more than a hundred miles of them. The highest and best preserved are out at Shataukok, where one can see the kind of agriculture that must have existed in the New Territories of long ago. Many of the walls are said to be "pre-Chinese," and to have been erected by a wall building tribal people who lived here many centuries ago.

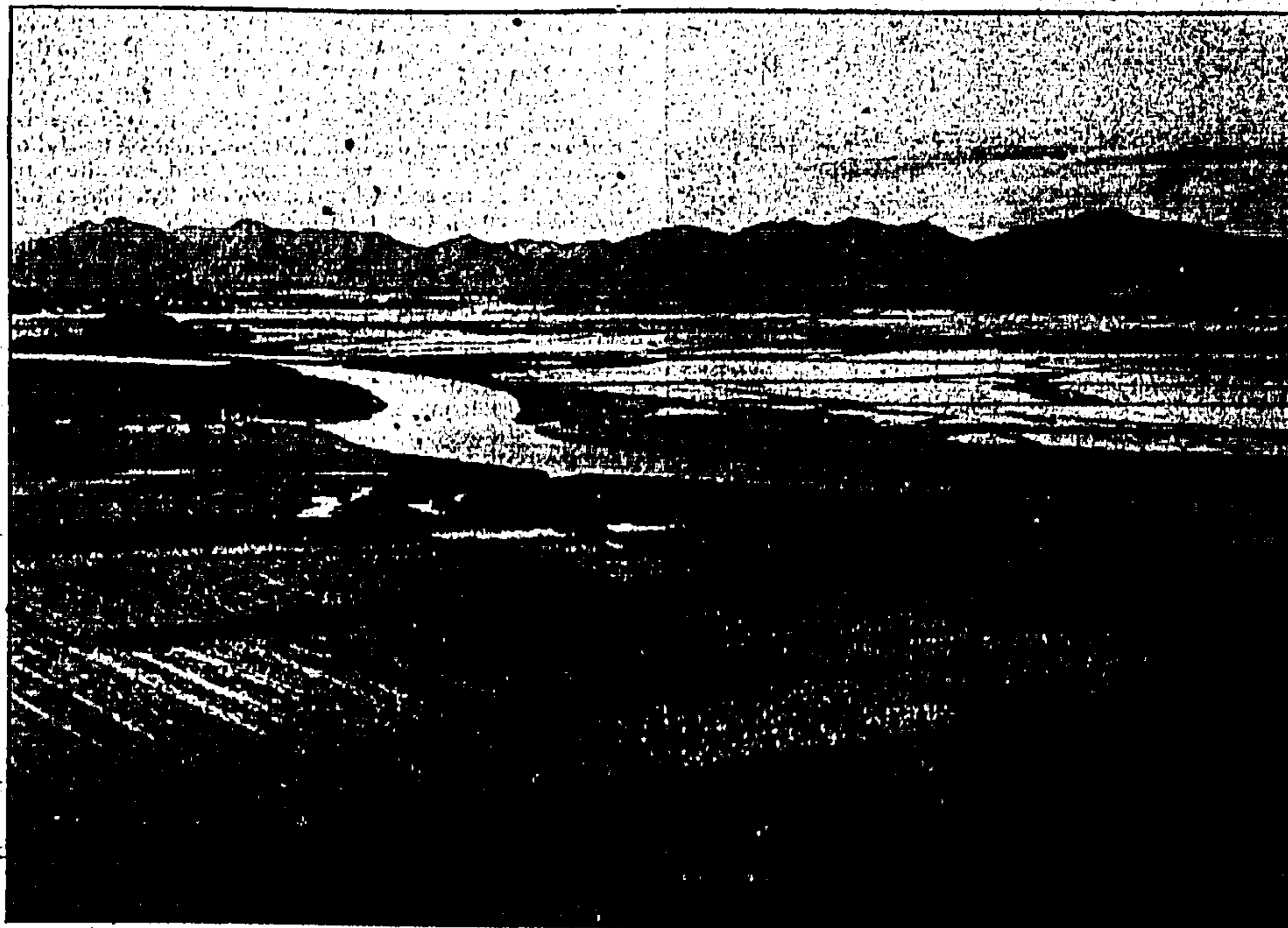
But today this ancient method is coming back into a new life. It is planned to build another length of sea wall that will cut off "Plover Cove" (see diagram) and turn a large salt estuary into a fresh water lake. The scheme is the most original and the newest water conservancy project of all. Yet it is also the oldest . . . pre-British, and pre-Chinese!



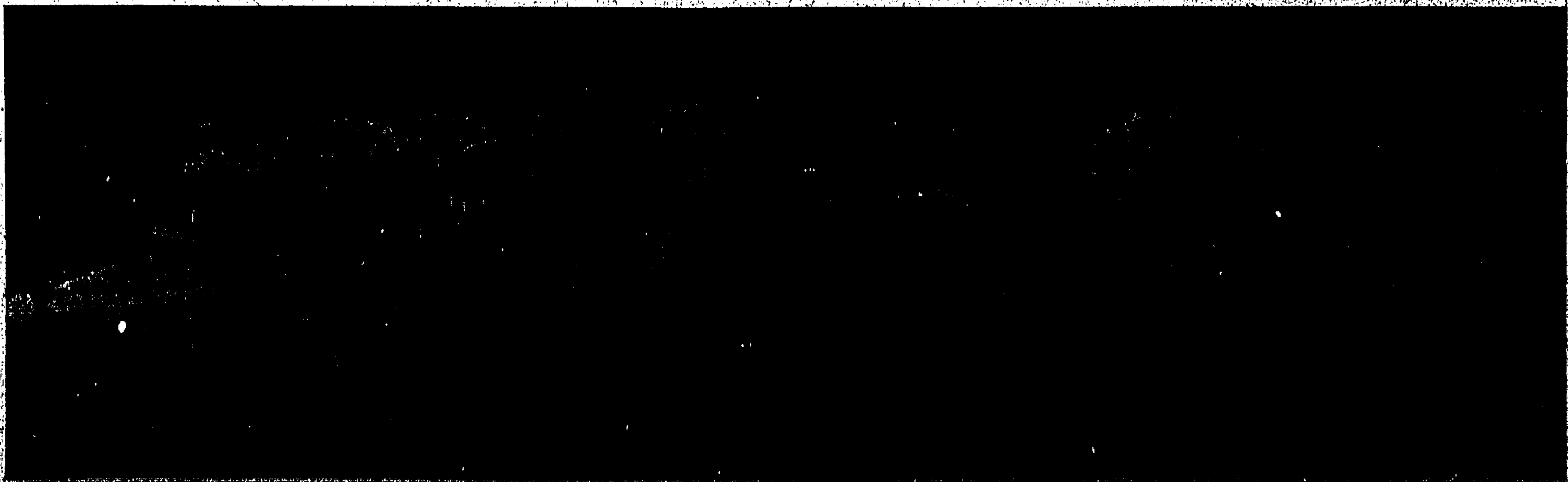
Above: The Shek Pik Valley.



Above: Tai Lam Chung.



Above: Paddy fields on the Shum Chun river. Below: Hongkong at night.

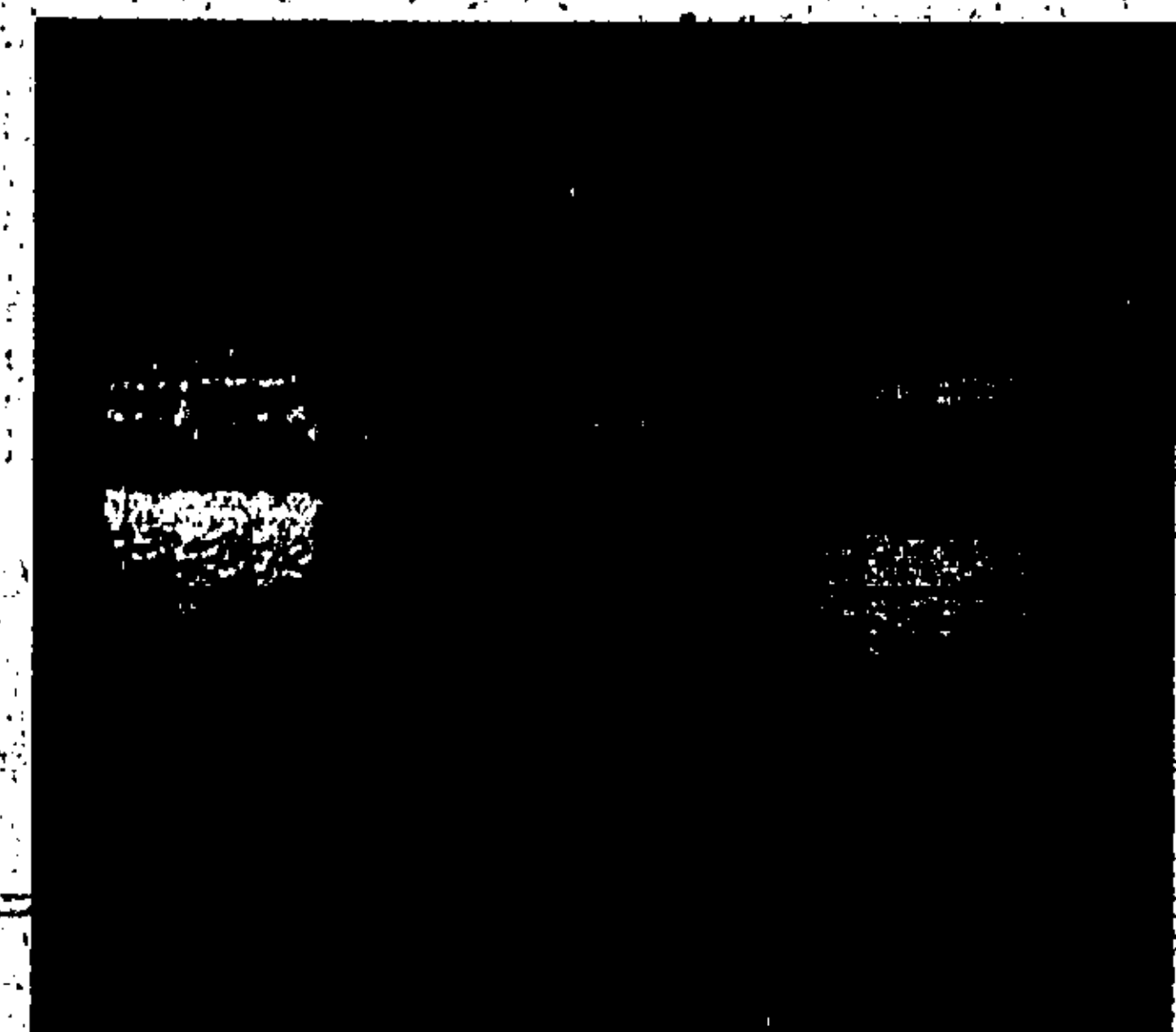


Night Light

IF Hongkong be busy by day, she is busier by night. There is no street in the city so poor that you will not hear laughter and the clatter of mahjong counters into the early hours of each morning. Hongkong's most important business is her tourist trade, and her largest income comes from visitors. The value of this trade is hard to guess, but many of those who come, come simply on buying sprees. Hongkong's free port makes things so much cheaper here that a businessman from Australia or the Philippines will fly to Hongkong with a shopping list long enough to cover the costs of his travel and his holiday here by the savings that he makes from prices in our shops. When he leaves Hongkong he leaves loaded with optical and electronic gear, typewriters and cooking gadgets from America, cameras and binoculars from Germany and Japan, cloth, watches, "Hi-Fi" sets and records, and suits of English worsted. A lady from Australia, asked what she was taking away, replied "a dining room table." Passengers aboard visiting ocean liners on world cruises save up for their Hongkong stopover as the big spending spree of the trip. When the U.S. Carrier "Mayway" last visited Hongkong her 2,300 men aboard left behind more than \$2 million. Another ship reported that the average spending of her crew members on a first visit here was US\$400 a head. Hongkong is a place to save up for when you visit.

But visitors do not spend on portables alone. Hongkong has memories too to give away to those who seek them. Cantonese cooks are artists of such delicacy that when they cook a fish they want it alive and swimming five minutes before they set it on the table. At Aberdeen (below) one of the world's largest fishing fleets supplies Hongkong kitchens and its own floating restaurants with the kind of fish they want. Cooks are so fastidious here that the livelihood of the smaller fishing sampan is preserved against its larger rivals . . . for the frozen fish of the huge trawler (if it can find a market at all) fetches less than half the price of the smaller trawler's fresher "chilled" catch. The "chilled" catch of a trawler fetches less again than the hook-caught catch of an ocean-going junk. Highest price of all is paid for "live fish," which to many palates, is the only fish worth eating. And the best place to eat it is in Aberdeen's own floating restaurants where your dinner swims in a basket till you choose.

At night the bright lights of these gay barges shine out over dark water and silhouette the bulks of a thousand fishing junks which lie at anchor. And the lights of the two cities which face each other across the waters of Hongkong Harbour come on too in their nightly contest to see which town can shine the brightest.



Above: Aberdeen night scene.

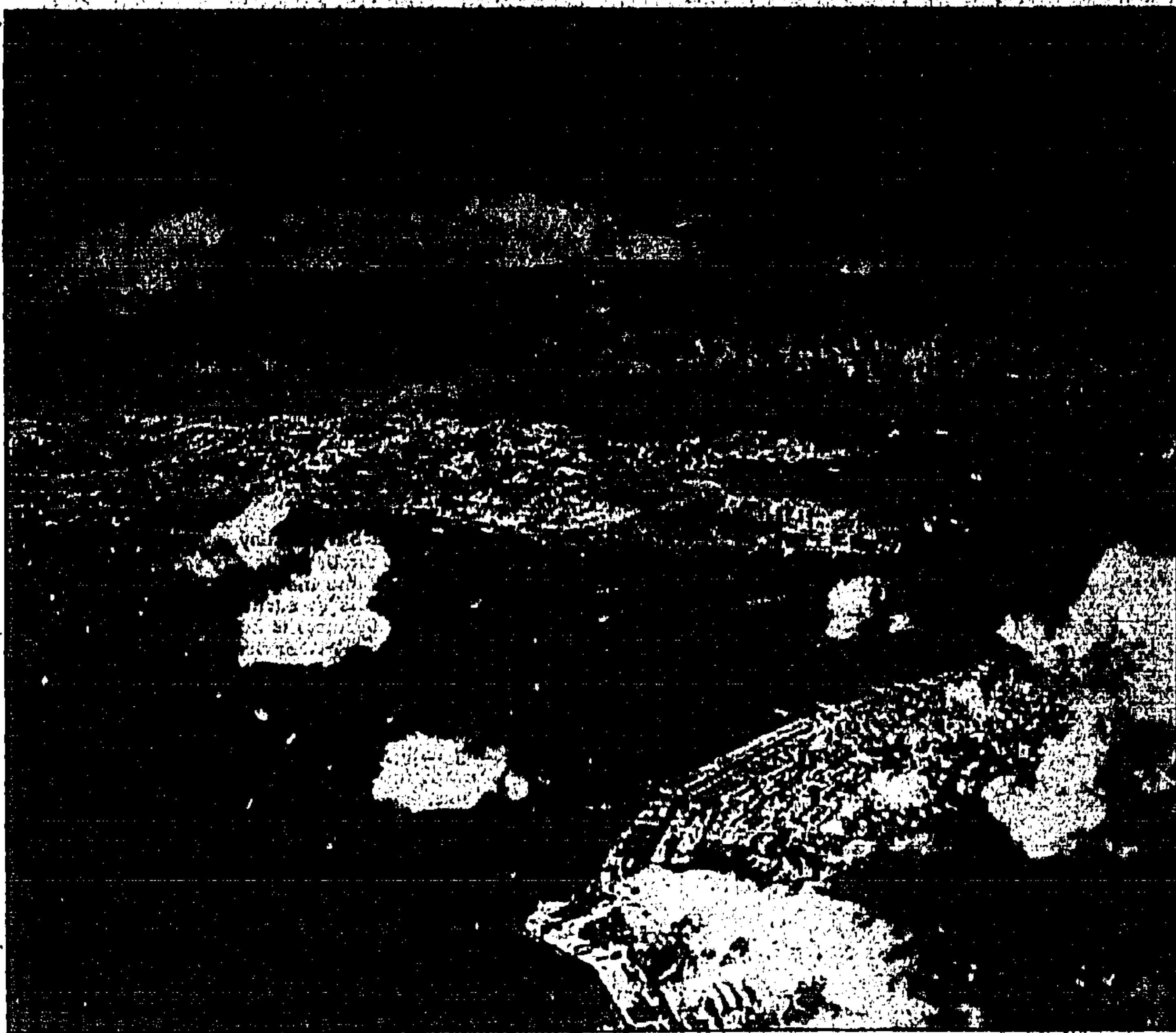
. . . and eating

IF Hongkong were cut off entirely from outside supplies today, the combined production of her fields and fishing fleet could supply at a pinch all that she needs but rice.

This is the land that supports 3 million people. From these fields come 30,000 tons of rice a year (10% of what we need), 60,000 tons of vegetables (60% of consumption). These farms sent 189,493 pigs to our abattoirs last year of the 798,000 which were slaughtered, and 1,300 of the 94,000 cattle.

And last year these fields exported pigeon, quail, fat geese and ducks worth \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 worth of export crops like ginger, lotus root and canned lichee. In former days New Territories fields around Shatin sent rice to the Emperor's table in Peking, and even today the high quality rice of Hongkong is exported as a luxury to other lands and their cheaper produce brought here in a profitable exchange.

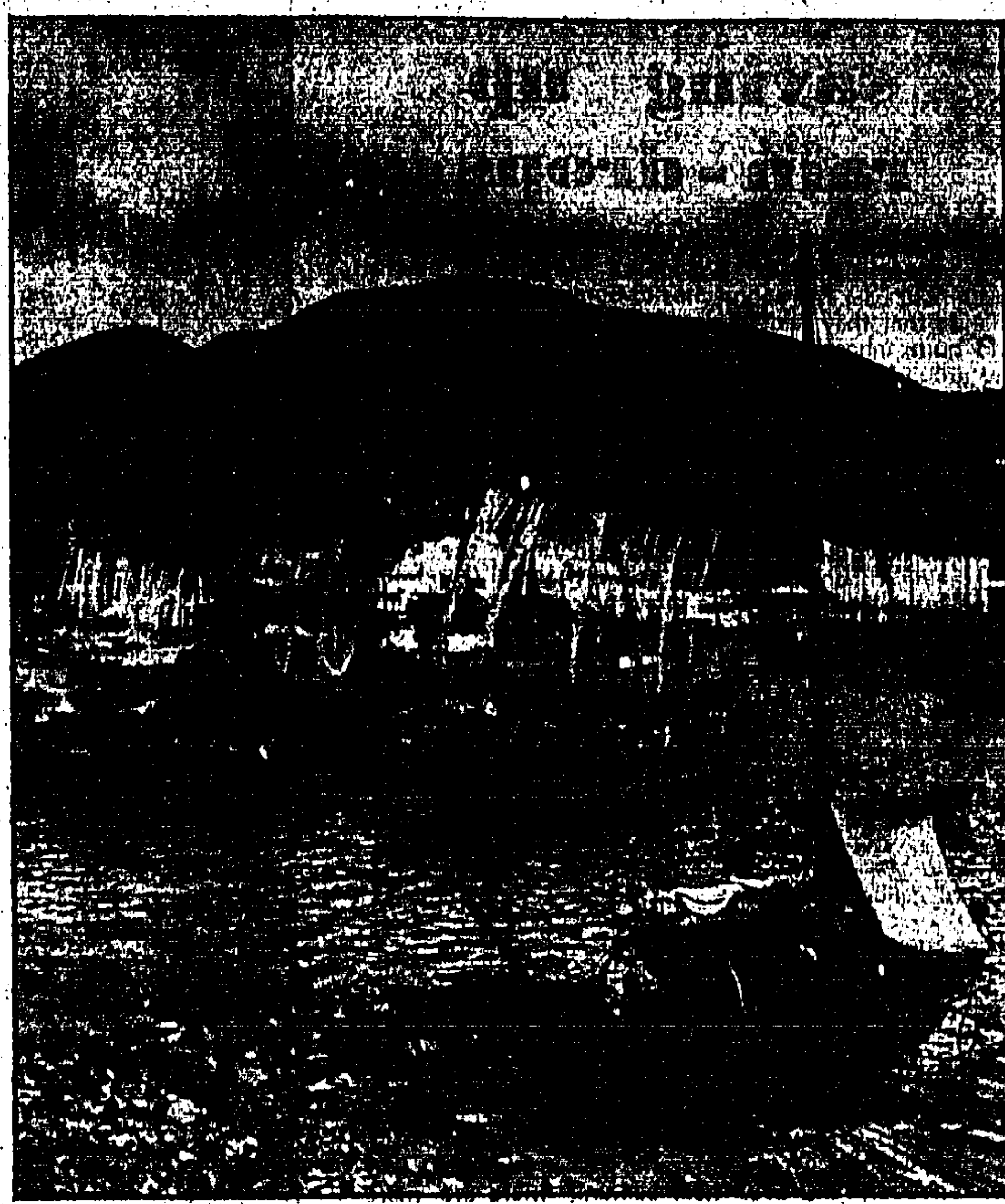
The people who live around these fields are not newcomers to farming. They are industrious and have the skill of centuries backed up by the latest medicines and techniques of a modern minded Agricultural Department. Those who keep potted chrysanthemums and encourage one root to spread out into a hundred blooms have the skill also to grow a cabbage as big as a motor tyre. Those who bred the Chinese gold fish with his popping eyes can also raise fresh water table fish in man-made ponds. And there is scarcely an area in town or country where by searching you could not find doves, hen coops, duck ponds and beehives . . . for in spite of her rapidly rising population Hongkong produces every year more and more of the food for her own table.



8,500 HOMES AFLOAT

IN Hongkong whole colonies of people live on the water. Some live in houseboats that stay permanently in the typhoon shelters. Others live and work on lighters in the harbour or on the islands carrying trade between Hongkong and Macao and even further afield. But the majority of this floating population depend on fishing. We had 8,500 fishing junks with 72,000 people aboard them, women and children included, at the last count. Last year the Government assisted 185 junk masters to equip their wooden craft with diesel engines, and more than 2,300 ships in all had been assisted in this way. The help is given as a long-term low-interest loan.

Right: Fishing junks at Aberdeen.



Contrasting pearls in a matchless setting

HERE lie the two cities of Hongkong and Kowloon. In Turkey a similar harbour ferry divides Europe from Asia, but even there the ferry does not divide two cities as different in atmosphere and construction.

Kowloon has become a spreading city bursting from a few high buildings on the peninsula to spill around the shores past Kai Tak on one side, past Tsun Wan on the other. Pillar-box red "London" buses ply the streets and grind their gears in a roar of traffic that flows from the city's central backbone which is Nathan Road.

Kowloon is largely residential. Even in the centre there are more flats than offices, and the ground floors of most

buildings are rented as little cosmopolitan shops where Indian traders sell silk and cloth in places that smell of incense and Chinese curio dealers in English suits display their wares behind plate glass.

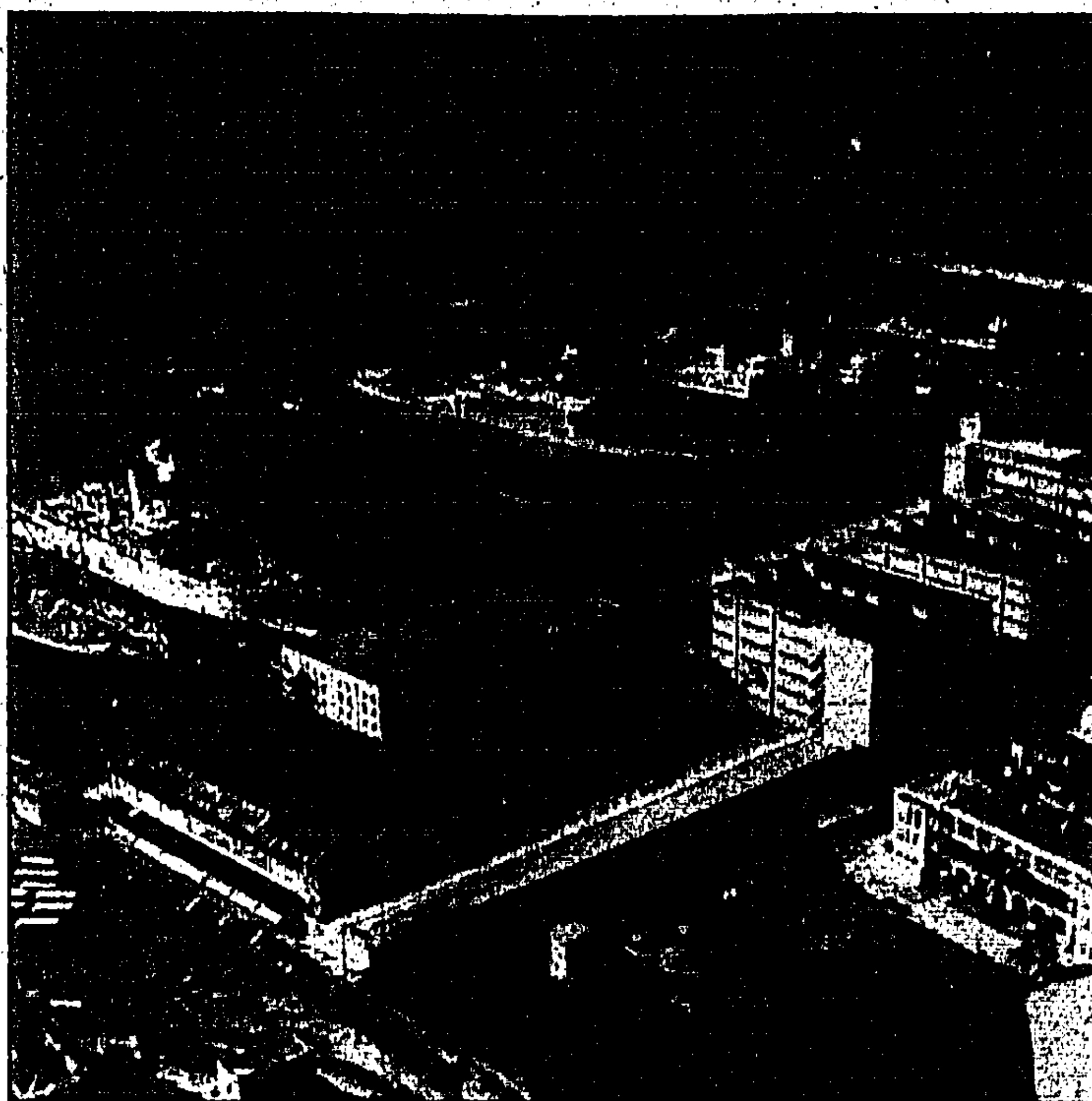
But Hongkong is older, and very different. It clings to the lower slopes of hills and spreads a narrow skirt around their foot on flat land reclaimed from the sea. High buildings are almost entirely occupied as offices. What stores there are that can afford the rentals of Victoria are large department affairs in the central area.

Wanchai is residential too. It is the place of light at night, a warren of bars and dance halls, and swift tailors whose trade is largely with the groups of sailors who land at Fenwick pier, and

have a few hours ashore in which to pick up a "Hongkong-tailor-made."

The hilltops and the fringe are residential. Houses, blocks of flats and veritable palaces, perch crazily on crags to which roads coil and climb like ropes. "The whole world lives mid-level" said a Chinese cartoon. And this is the level of both the most costly of new apartment house building, and also the level of main squatter settlements... some of which one can still see on the hills overhanging North Point.

North Point is the Little Shanghai of Hongkong Island, a place of new building, rising by the hour, to show how much Hongkong believes in her own continued prosperity. Hongkong is, above everything, a place for "doing business."



Above: Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

THE HARBOUR

SHIPS old and new tell a large part of the story of Hongkong past and present. As a port she began, and as a port she finds a large part of her prosperity still. Harbour facilities like that of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company (left) provide berthing for the largest ships afloat. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company (known as the Kowloon Docks) handles a huge business in repairs, and Taikeo Dockyard (below) joins in repairs and new buildings with an equipment as modern as any in the world.

This is a modern harbour in the fullest sense... no mushroom growth in which a furious minded generation cast off the past in a mad rush towards a "Western" future whose drawbacks are not yet fully disclosed. Hongkong has a harbour where change has come gradually, in the British way and not by revolution. Changes here are born of necessity and invention, not furious thinking and old and new exist together as they should in any proper economic marriage.

Our Western Yards were so badly damaged in the war that their equipment puts them now among the most up to date. They deal with problems as complex as any in the world and local tradesmen are as skilled as any, anywhere.

Along with these, traditional yards turn out each year a huge tonnage of junk and sampan craft. These were the first yards that ever put bulkheads in an ocean going vessel. They were the first designers of the fore and aft rigged sail. Ocean adventurers today turn more and more to the special advantages of traditional Chinese seamanship and rig.

Local craftsmen work without plans, shaping a hull by eye and fitting the frames and bulkheads after, instead of before, they fit the planking. The shape of the ship they turn out varies from yard to yard. There are beamy ocean-going vessels, shallow river craft and "moon boats" for inland waters. Special "pilot sampans" are built to cope with the peculiar sailing conditions of choppy harbour waters.

Our timber yards are bustling. Fire crackers announce a new ship almost every day running down her slipway at high tide to wet her gleaming timbers.

JOBS FOR 100,000

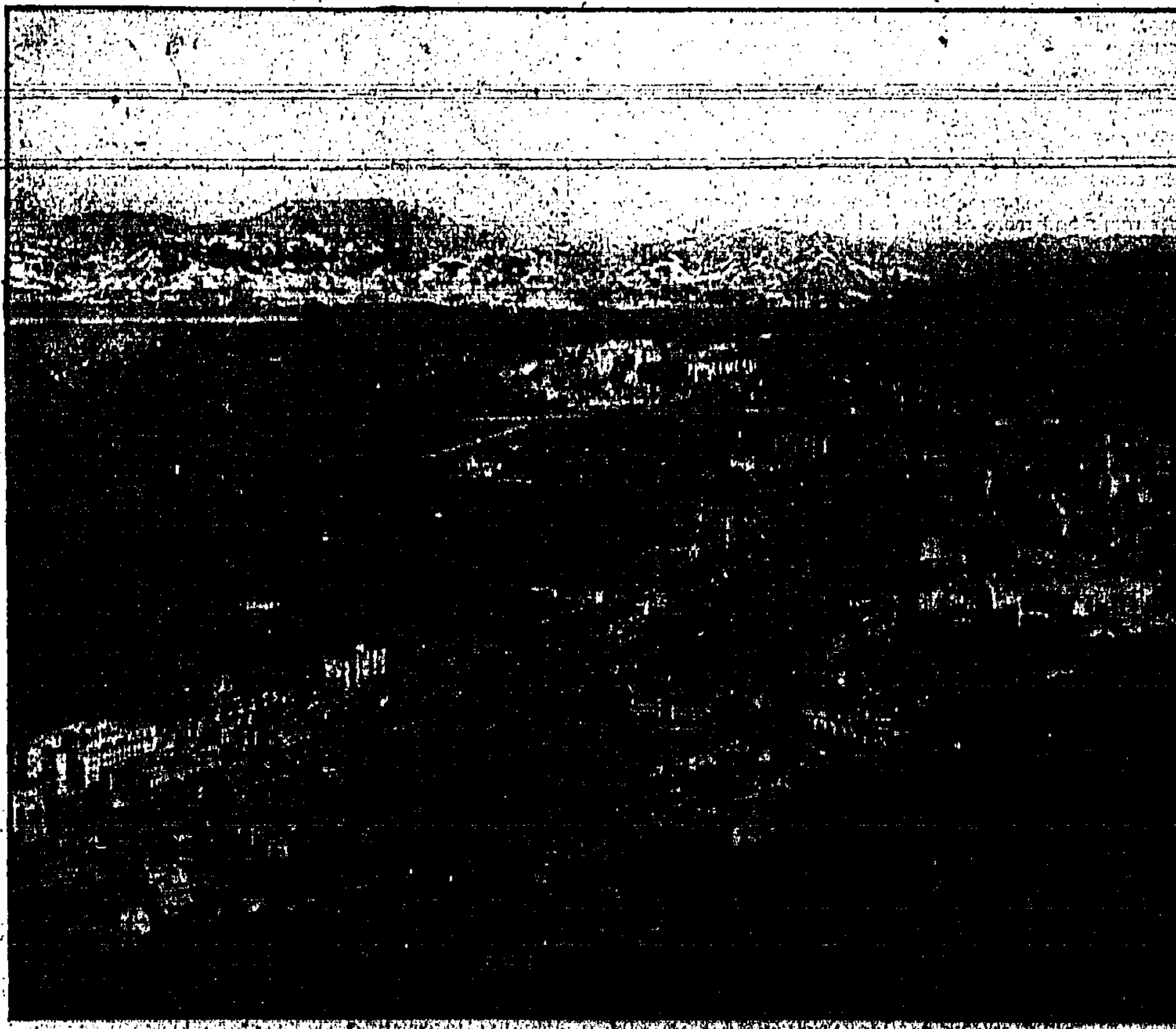
THE gigantic ships of ancient times, when one junk could sail to Africa with ten sails and 500 men aboard, have been replaced by steel ships. But junks today still run to sizable galleons.

heavy lighters and huge towing barges. In Hongkong waters they give homes, transport, and employment to 100,000 people. A third of our population depend directly on the harbour. Their jobs vary from salvage, light-house work, weather research and ship repair, or fire fighting aboard the "Alexander Grantham" (one of the most modern fire floats in the world), to the job of the harbour "char ladies" who seem to divine even the top secret moves of every ship of the Royal Navy and contract to come aboard for cook house fatigues and harbour chores in return for the galley slops which they sell.

Hongkong provides one of the fullest pictures of a modern harbour in the East. All in all its tentacles spread so wide, there is no one here in Hongkong whose livelihood does not depend upon it. Hongkong is her harbour. Her harbour is Hongkong.

THE END

Photo: Telephoto. Below: Wanchai, North Point, looking down to Kowloon.



Philip's Astonishing Triumph

IN just a fortnight Prince Philip's visit to India snowballed from a cautious, officially-described "scientific" visit to a tremendous, triumphal tour with garlands, garlands all the way. For it served in a remarkable way to help millions of Indians to remember, revive, and express a feeling for Britain far deeper than is often appreciated in Britain.

7,000,000 Indians have seen him. Not because, when he passed, they happened to be waiting for buses, held up in a traffic jam, or simply strolling through paddy fields along his route.

But because they have said in one or other of India's many tongues: "The husband of the Queen is coming—let's wait and wave to him."

I don't know who was most surprised by the reception given to this first British royal visit since the Prince of Wales was here in 1921.

But the conclusion is that anyone who thought India's self-chosen status as a republic, or brutal reverence from the British Crown almost 11 years ago could erase 200 years of suffering, respect, endeavour, and growth together of the Indian and the English people, was badly out of touch with both of them.

Reason for the welcome: It was that Prince Philip came as the husband of Elizabeth II of England, Head of the Commonwealth.

Crowds

IN Delhi I made the experiment of asking a cross-section of the crowd lining what used to be India's Mall, and is now called Raj Path, whom they were waiting to see.

Instead of handing them to an A.D.C. Then he realised that if he went even further he could give immense pleasure. He garlanded his own welcome with the garlands from his own neck. This was a tremendous success. At the week-end in Madras, warm and colourful like all southern places, he was stopped to be garlanded 40 times in a single drive.

Once he stopped his car to garland a tiny, abashed beauty of seven. All the rest, tossed back among the crowd and ripped to single blooms, will be pressed and cherished for years.

In Madras and Bangalore, from where he flew to Calcutta, the typical triumphal arches to the south were all decked with painted plaster statues of the Hindu gods presiding over the glided, bannered words that said: "Long live the Queen. Long live the Republic."

To the average Indian who put up those arches, the Queen, the Head of the Commonwealth and the Republic all go together—even along with Shiva and Vishnu and the rest.

Acclaim

TO those who, like myself, have been trailing along with the Prince, the reception has not been any less significant. Just as a reporter of India is welcome to the Prince, I have been given privileges which have sometimes been difficult to avoid without giving offence. I have never needed to produce the wad of passes or permits I have had in my pocket.

by SYDNEY SMITH

who, at the time, was in CALCUTTA

I didn't get any funny answers. From the sweeper women, the untouchables in their saffron and yellow, cotton saris with bare feet and silver-bangled ankles—their Sunday best, in effect—to the people with numbered tickets, I got a fair answer—"The Queen's husband."

Garlands

THE coyness among the Prince's staff about this tour being a test run for a royal tour by the Queen herself has now worn off.

At first, they hedged on this question. Now the only qualification is this: "It cannot be before the winter or '60-61 for reasons of organisation—but how are we going to try to control the crowds? On the basis of the Prince's reception, it will be unmanageable."

Apart from that problem, which can surely be overcome, the Queen's visit to India is assured.

The official basis for the Philip visit—ambiguous and discreet—shows up the amazing lack of understanding at home of Britain's credit among some of our sharpest old Congress enemies, now our very good friends.

The Prince came to India on the technical excuse of being president of the British Association and chief delegate to the Indian Science Congress.

Just to make this stick, he was accompanied round India by his technical official host, Professor Bhaskar, India's top scientific and cultural leader. So, whichever way it went, and in case the response was not noticeable, there was always a safe retreat to explain it.

This nervous, cautious, qualified status of the Prince's visit has been knocked for a loop by the average Indian, who has rushed to halt not the man of science but the Queen's husband.

The Prince was at first badly briefed on elementary Indian courtesies. He was irritated by garlands, and heaved them off like any embarrassed naval officer. When he realised how much they meant he tossed them back among the crowds.

No credit to myself—just the festival of warm acclaim that follows the Prince and those who follow him.

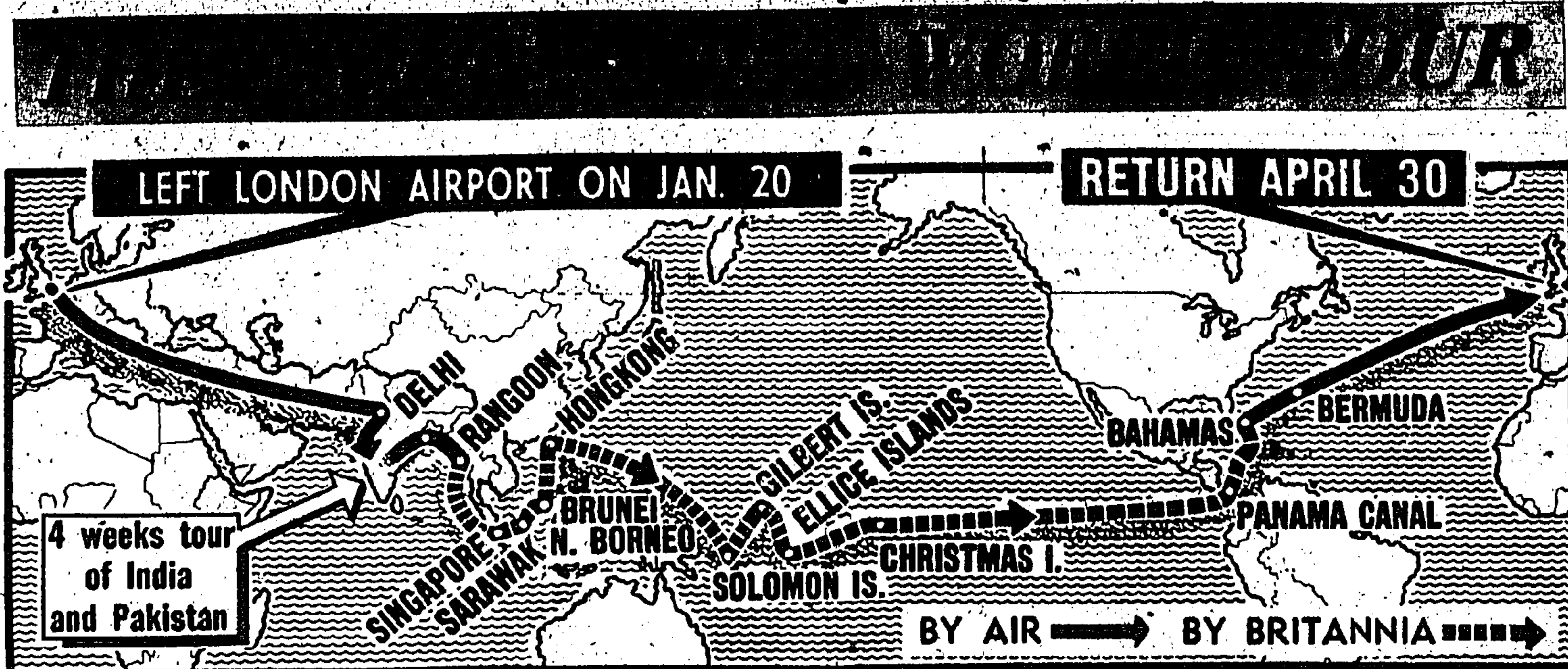
Take this example—and take it as something for all Englishmen. In Madras because it was learned that I once was a pilot in the Royal Air Force, I received a call from the Indian Air Force station commander, Group Captain Kartik Sarkar, a pilot and officer who fought gallantly with Britain during the war.

He asked me to the regular Sunday party at his mess—usually a rather formal affair. I apologised, because I had only a short-sleeved white open-necked bush jacket and no time to change.

I went to the mess. The group captain and all his officers wore by order—open-necked short-sleeved bush jackets exactly like mine. I was in order.

On a far greater scale, though never warmer nor more sincere, that is what Prince Philip has met—and inspired, throughout India—the old companionship and now the friendship of people who belong to the Commonwealth and call the Queen its Head.

—London Express Service



The Tour Of India In Pictures



It was a tremendous, triumphal tour with garlands, garlands all the way... and the picture above illustrates how Indians of all ages reacted to the Queen's husband.



ABOVE: The Duke of Edinburgh admiring a richly caparisoned elephant while being taken round the City Palace, Jaipur, by the Maharaja of Jaipur, who is seen beside him in the picture.

LEFT: The Governor of Madras, Shri. Vishwanath Madhji, gave a dinner in honour of the Duke at Raj Bhavan in Madras which was followed by a Bharata Natyam dance recital by Shrinipati Kamala Lakshman and her sister, Kumari Radha. Photo shows the Duke meeting the dancers after the recital.



The Duke enjoys the antics of entertaining University students at the Youth Display.

PRANKS AND BOYCOTTS HIGHLIGHT HIS VISIT TO SINGAPORE

by David T. K. Wong



The Duke meets controversial Mayor Ong Eng Guan, of Singapore.

Singapore. THE most enthusiastic welcome ever given to any visiting dignitary was accorded the Duke of Edinburgh by the people of this sun-drenched colony during his three-day visit here.

Crowds of up to 200,000 gathered to cheer him wherever he went and they broke security cordons time and again merely to get a closer look at him.

Such a warm reception, probably the warmest he has received so far during his current tour, was surprising in view of this island's pronounced leftist sympathies which tend to make it look upon royalty with a proletarian disdain.

It was the Duke's first visit here. An earlier visit he was to have made in 1956 had to be cancelled because of an outbreak of rioting.

Threatened boycotts of functions honouring the Duke either failed to materialise or had little effect.

ALL TURN UP

Before the Duke's arrival, a number of Legislative Assemblymen threatened to boycott all functions because their names were not included in the list for presentation to the Duke.

But all eventually turned up. The only boycott that was carried out was that announced by the United People's Action Party (UAP). Three UAP Assemblymen failed to turn up for either the State Banquet given by the Chief Minister, Mr. Lim Yew Hock, or the Garden Party at Government House.

In a policy statement in the PAP organ *Pettit*, under the title of "Of Cabbages and Kings," the party had said:

"The Duke is to the colonial peoples of the empire a symbol of the overlordship of the British Raj."

"One aspect of our fight for Merdeka is a fight against this British overlordship."

"When we attain Merdeka we will welcome members of the British royal family as symbols of the bonds that hold together free and independent members of the Commonwealth."

However, the boycott was not complete for the PAP Mayor, Mr. Ong Eng Guan together with other PAP members of this

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BAD TASTE

However, on the third day, when the Duke formally opened Singapore's new Polytechnic, a number of students perpetrated stunts which were both excessive and in bad taste.

They sent two fire engines tearing into the Polytechnic just as the Duke was arriving.

But the worst stunt of all was the setting off of a long string of crackers just as the national anthem was being played, when the Duke, the Governor, Sir William Goode, the Chief Minister, Mr. Lim Yew Hock, and other dignitaries were standing at attention.

But all in all, it was a highly successful visit, and many hoped that the visit would be a prelude to one by the Queen.

Other highlights of the three-day stay included:

HIGHLIGHTS

PRESENTATION of a 44-foot long Hongkong-made tapestry to the Duke by the Exhibition Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce on the first night.

SAMPLING a 12-course Cantonese dinner complete with shark's fin and roast suckling pig on the second night. The Duke was expected to use chopsticks for the first time by the Chief Minister, Mr. Lim Yew Hock.

AN UNSCHEDULED late night visit to the food stalls in Chinatown.

ROYAL FAMILY PICTURE



THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT

Right: The House of Lords is the scene of this photograph taken last year at the ceremonial opening of Parliament. The Queen, her long velvet train spilling over steps carpeted with the lion and the rose of England, delivers her speech. At her left sits the Duke in the uniform of Admiral of the Fleet.

A FAMILY GATHERING

Right: The Duke, with Princess Anne and Prince Charles, are seen at Ascot for the Pony mounted games championship last year. The Duke is a skilled horseman and a keen polo player.

FAREWELL

Above: The date: January 20. The occasion: the departure of the Duke on another world tour which would take him to India, Burma, Singapore, Hong-kong and many other places before his return to London in April. The Queen, Princess Margaret and Princess Anne are at London airport seeing off the Duke on the first stage of his journey.

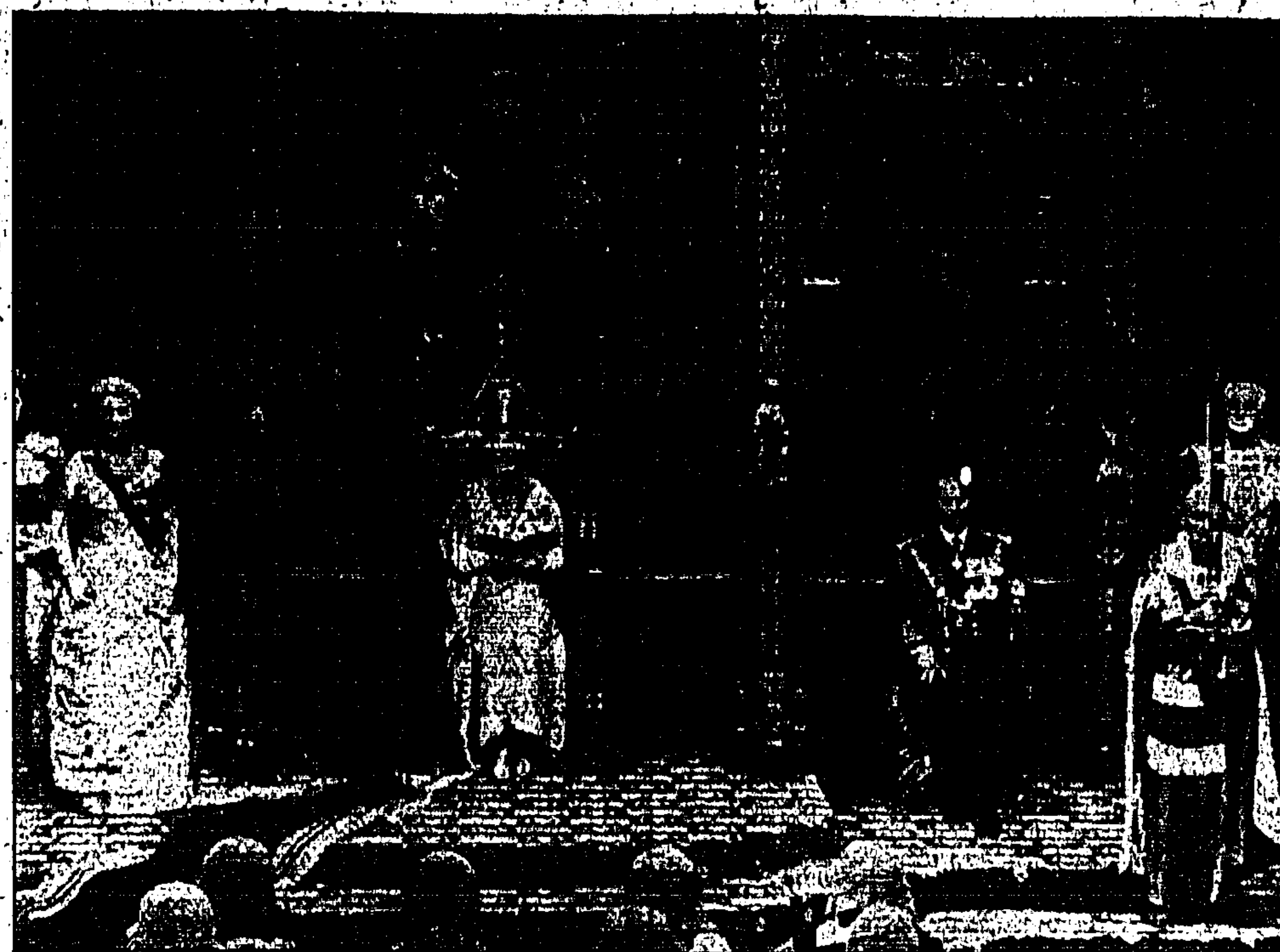


BACKED A LOSER?

Above: The Queen looks downcast as she listens to Princess Margaret at Epsom where they were visitors for the running of the Derby. The Queen's horse, Minor's Lamp, came sixth. This was last year's Derby.

THE QUEEN MOTHER

Left: A charming photograph of the Queen Mother taken recently in London. The Queen Mother has been a big hit wherever she has travelled. The Australians loved her. And during her tour of central Africa she received a big welcome everywhere. She returned to London last week.

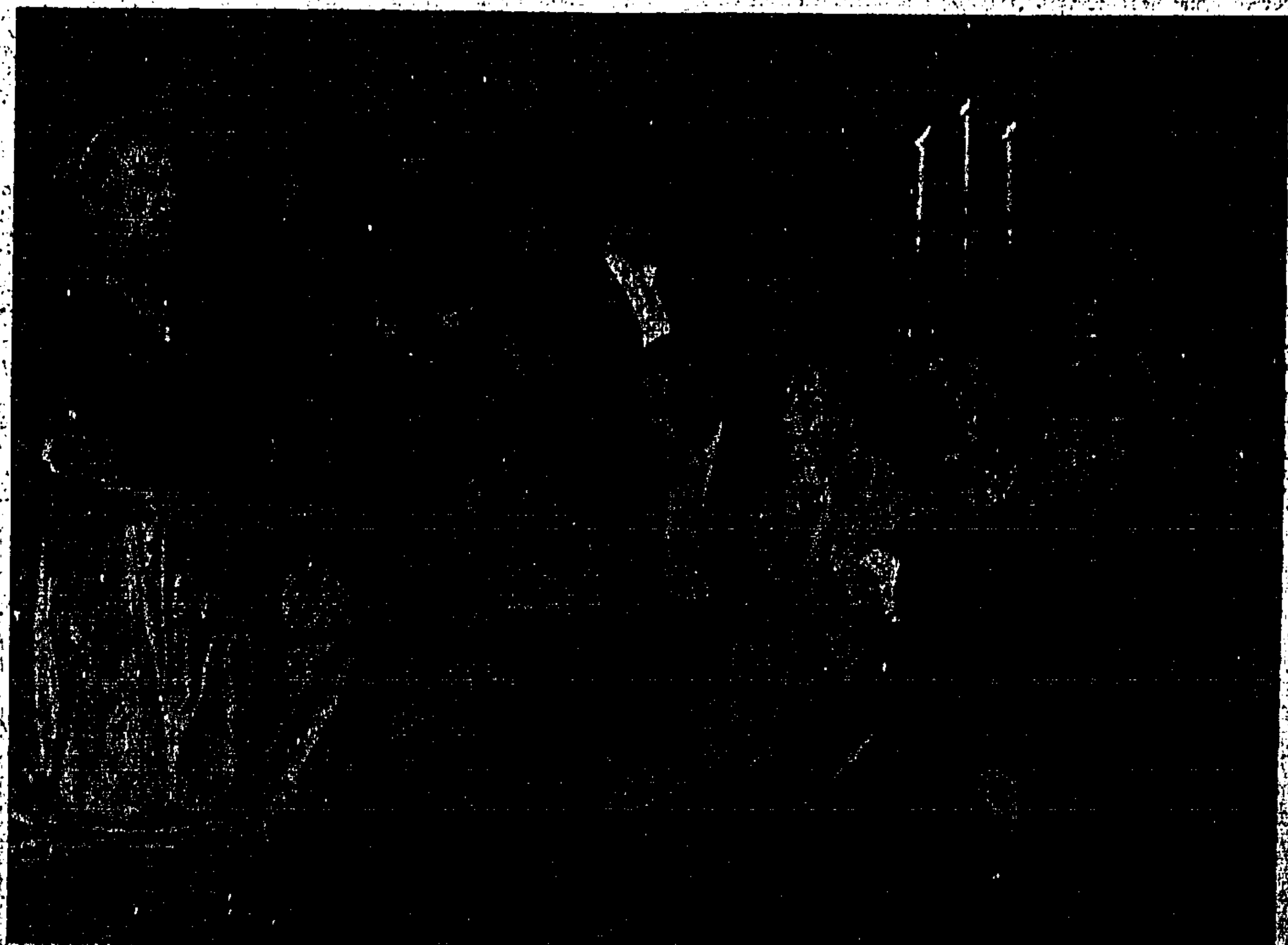


PRINCESS MARGARET

Below: After the Cameron Highlanders' ball, the gay Princess Margaret is seen in this picture just before she was driven home. She had danced all night, and at the end, was as fresh as smiling as ever.

WHERE IS MARGARET?

Below: You have to look hard to spot Princess Margaret in this picture, but if you still have not found her, there she is sitting on a chair by the candles. She and her friends—including American heiress Bobo Sigrist and film producer Kevin McClory (sitting in the front row)—are listening to Beatrice Lillie singing at the Docklands Settlement Ball at the Savoy Hotel, London last October.



Glasgow Badminton Tourney Begins

SPORTS PERSONALITIES



MOK CHUN-WAH

Always A Favourite

With Local Soccer Enthusiasts



In every sport, there are two types of 'stars' — the up and coming youngster who is beginning to make a name for himself and the older, more experienced player who has already passed this stage but continues to remain a staunch favourite with the fans.

Diminutive Mok Chun-wah, undoubtedly the best left-winger in soccer in the Colony today, comes in the latter category.

Standing five feet, four inches tall at a bodyweight of only 125 pounds, he has such tremendous speed and stamina that his size is no real handicap, "except when I play against foreign teams because their players are so much bigger," he said.

Murray Rose Sets American Swim Record

Los Angeles, Mar. 5. Murray Rose, Australian Olympic Games swim star, today set a new American and NCAA short course record for 1,500 metres of 17:31.3 in the Pacific Coast Conference, Southern Division, swimming championships at UCLA.

Rose, competing for University of Southern California, defeated defending champion Jim Small of California by five pool lengths in the 25-metre pool. Small was timed in 18:03.6. Ken Starbuck, Southern California, was third in 19:44.0.

The old American record was 17:36.7, set by George Green of Courtland State Teachers in 1950. Green also set the NCAA record of 17:44.5 the same year.

Bulgarian Volleyball Team End China Tour

Paris, Mar. 5. The Sofia men's and women's volleyball teams played their farewell matches tonight in Canton, the last city of their tour in China. Radio Peking reported.

The Bulgarian men's team won against the Wuhan men's volleyball team by three sets to one, 16-4, 15-3, 4-15, 15-10. The Sofia women's team won three sets to one in the Chinese youth-women's volleyball team, 15-17, 15-11, 4-10, 10-15.

Since February 15, when the Bulgarian visitors played their first matches in Peking, the women's team won seven and lost three matches and the men's team won eight and lost two matches.

The Sofia men's and women's volleyball teams will leave Canton for the Vietnam Democratic Republic this afternoon, the Radio added.—France-Press.

THAILAND ACES KNOCKED OUT FROM MIXED AND MEN'S DOUBLES EVENTS

Glasgow, Mar. 5.

The three-day World Invitation badminton tournament opened at Kelvin Hall here tonight with the defeat of Thailand's Kamol Sutvanit and Miss Prataung Pattapongse by the former All-England title holders, Tony Jordan and Mrs June Timperley of England.

The scores were 15-11, 15-4. Princess Suthasirosha, cousin of the King of Thailand, watched the game.

The Thailanders played some excellent shots but the courtcraft and experienced teamwork of the English pair easily put them into the second round of the mixed doubles.

Disappointed

Three thousand fans packing the hall were disappointed by the announcement that world number one Tan Joe-hock of Indonesia was a victim of influenza and would not be participating in the tourney.

His place in the men's singles was taken by A. Wahlquist of Sweden, who battled with K. A. Nielsen, holder of the Dutch and Belgian titles, for almost an hour before admitting defeat.

In another doubles match, Tony Jordan and John Best of England beat Kamol Sutvanit and Charoen Wattanasin of Thailand 9-15, 15-11, 18-15.

The Thailanders looked set for victory when they took the first set and led 11-7 in the second but the Englishmen suddenly found their touch. Jordan and Best again fought back to snatch victory after the Thailanders, led 13-11 in the deciding set.

In the final round of the men's doubles Ferry Sonneville (Indonesia) and Tanoo Khajadhiye (Thailand) beat the Swedish pair Bo Nilsson and Goran Wahl 15-10, 15-6.—U.P.I.

Easy Wins For Top Teams In World Ice-Hockey Openers

Prague, March 5.

The Soviet Union, Sweden and Czechoslovakia all had easy wins in their first preliminary round matches for the world ice-hockey championships in Czechoslovakia today.

In group "B" at Brno the Soviet team did not have to force hard to beat East Germany by 6/1. The German team went all out on defence and the Russians did not have it all their own way to beat a tough and courageous side, who could rarely be tempted to attack.

Best Player

The best player on the field was Soviet forward, Evgeni Grosev, who scored twice in the first period. Manfred Buder saved the honours for East Germany in the second period when the Soviet side was handicapped by the absence of one of its players in the penalty box.

Victor Jakusev and Constantin Loktev scored for the Soviet Union in this period. In the last period of play, the rhythm of play slowed down somewhat but Nikolai Sologubov and Igor Dekonski gave their side two more goals.

In group "C" at Ostrava, Sweden beat Italy by 11/0. The Italians defended well in the first period but could not match the Swedes in technique and shooting ability.

The Swedes soon asserted their supremacy over the Italians but the match was marred by a series of incidents caused by rough play and the penalty box saw plenty of occupants.

Outclassed

In group "A" at Bratislava, the Czech team outclassed Switzerland but could have won by a wider margin than 9-0 if they had not shown a certain amount of inaccuracy in shooting.

The Swiss put up a game performance. Their goalie, Kienner, was injured from an unintentional blow on the face in the second period and play

was interrupted for 10 minutes. The Swiss were forced to adopt a systematic defence position in order to check the rapid Czech attacks. The scores were: Mikoslav (2), Josef Golonka (2), Frantisek Tikal, Rudolf Polach, Josef Cerny, Bohumil Prosek and Jan Starsi.—France-Press.

NEW TYPE OF RAIN COVER FOR CRICKET PITCHES

Birmingham, Mar. 5. A new type of nylon fabric rain cover which, it is hoped, will reduce the loss of playing time in first-class cricket was tested at Edgbaston today by the Warwickshire County Cricket Club.

Mr Leslie Deakin, secretary, said: "The idea is revolutionary in that we are not trying to disperse the water but to concentrate it, so that it can be easily removed."

INFLATABLE 'WALL'

"The cover is laid out in a diamond shape, measuring 40 yards from corner to corner, and has an inflatable 'wall' to prevent the rain seeping over the sides. The ground staff need merely lift an edge to make the water run to one corner, where draining pipe carries the water away."

Mr Paul Hutchings, the designer, said: "The cover took nearly a quarter of an hour to assemble. The inflation of the walls around the cover took roughly five minutes. The cost of the cover is about £1,000 plus 30 per cent purchase tax."—China Mail Special.

Roddy Owen Wins The Cheltenham

Cheltenham, Mar. 5. Roddy Owen, a ten-year-old owned by Lord Fingall and trained by Danny Morgan in Ireland, won the Cheltenham Gold Cup, the championship of British steeplechasing, over 3 miles 2 furlongs 130 yards here today.

Starting second favourite at 5 to 1, Roddy Owen took the lead at the last fence, where Pat Scott fell and interfered with Linwell and Lochroe. Roddy Owen was ridden by Irish jockey Bobby Beasley.

FAVOURITE'S FALL
Taxidermist, the 4 to 1 favourite after the shock morning withdrawal of Irish-trained Saffron Tartan, fell halfway round the second circuit when well behind the leaders.

Linwell was second at 11 to 2, three lengths behind Roddy Owen, with the 100 to 9 chance Lochroe a further ten lengths away, third of eleven runners.

Saffron Tartan was withdrawn about four hours before the race. His owner, Captain R. Westmacott, said the horse was found to be coughing last night and again this morning.—Reuter.

MCC 105 For None

Wellington, Mar. 6. The MCC had scored 105 without loss at lunch when they began a three-day match with Wellington here today.—Reuter.

Hearts To Tour Australia In May

Sydney, Mar. 5. The Scottish soccer club, Heart of Midlothian, will visit Australia in May, the secretary of the Australian Soccer Association, Mr Roy Drury, announced today.

The Scottish team will play in Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Adelaide, Hobart and Perth. Hearts will play a match in New York on the way to Australia to help defray travelling expenses, Mr Drury said.—China Mail Special.

PAKISTAN ENTER SECOND TEST TODAY WITHOUT MOHAMMAD, D'SOUZA

Dacca, March 5.

Opening batsman Hanif Mohammad and spin bowler Anton D'Souza, both unfit, are out of Pakistan's team for the second Test match against the West Indies here, which starts tomorrow.

Hanif fractured a finger in the winning first Test team. The West Indies will omit pace bowler Tasleem Arif, naming 12 from whom they will select their team tomorrow morning. Eric Atkinson, seam bowler, and spinner Sonny Ramadhin are brought into the twelve.

The wicket is cold matting. The humid atmosphere is expected to help the seam bowlers as long as the shine is on the ball.

Norwich-Luton Cup Match Venue

London, Mar. 5. Norwich City and Luton Town will play their English Football Association Cup semi-final on March 14 at Tottenham Hotspur's London stadium in White Hart Lane.

Another London ground—Chelsea's Stamford Bridge stadium—had earlier been selected by the Football Association.

The switch was made after protests by Norwich and the London Second Division club, Fulham.—China Mail Special.

London, Mar. 5. Crewe Alexandra and Exeter City drew 0-0 in an English League Division Four match played at Crewe this evening.—Reuter.

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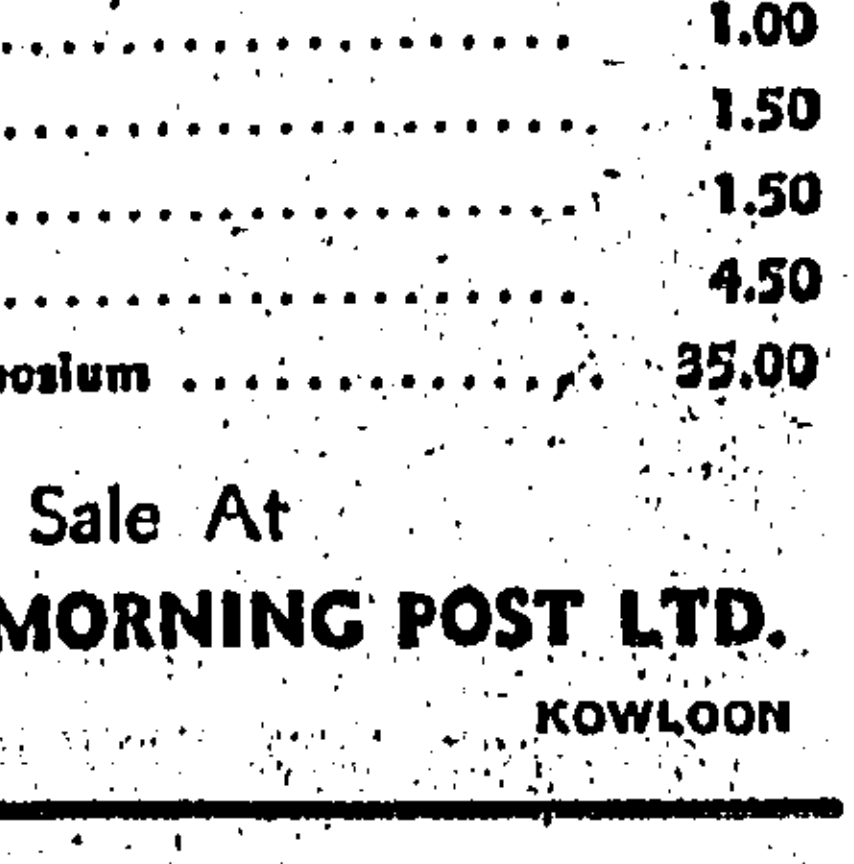
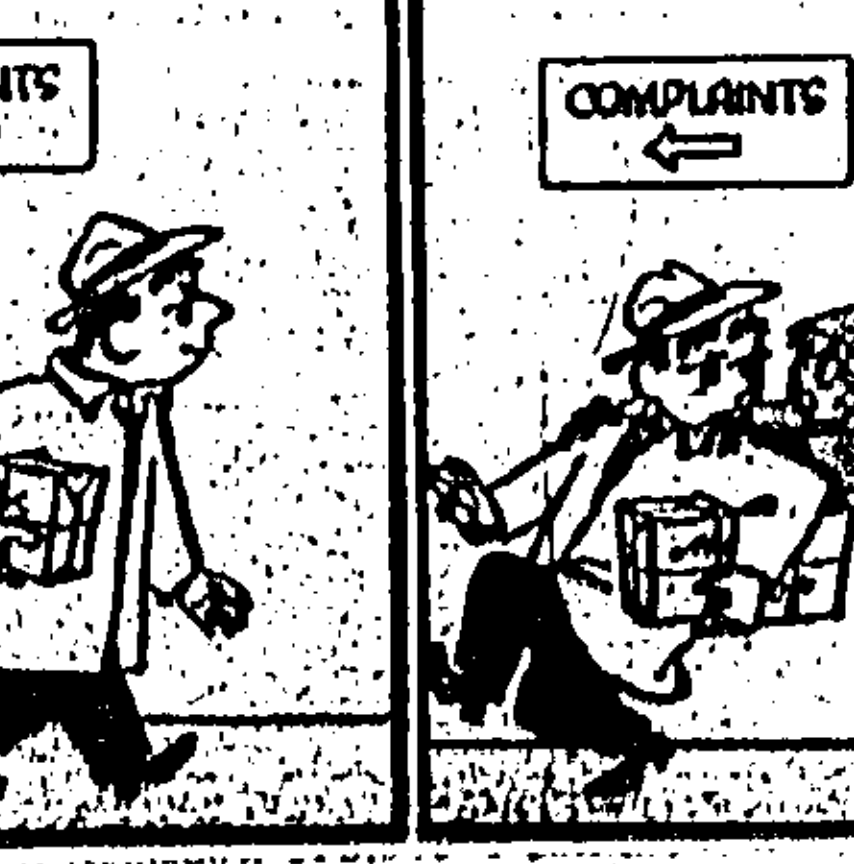
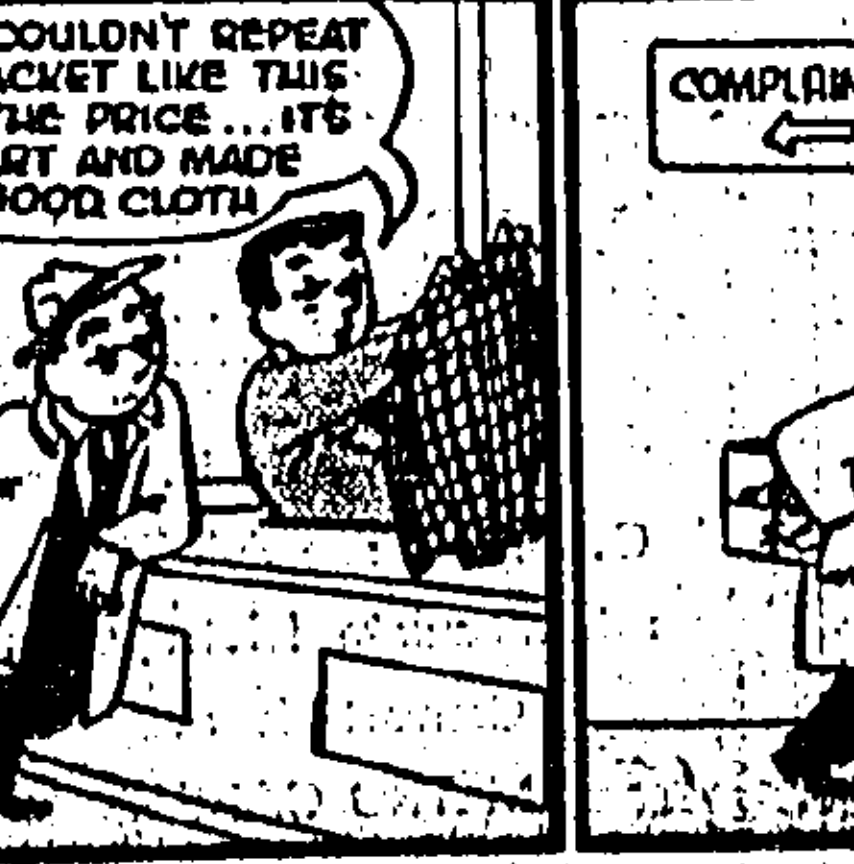
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WEEKEND SOFTBALL PREVIEW

South China, Hurricanes Tangle In Championship Deciding Ladies Match

By OLLY VAS

Softball fans who have been eagerly looking forward to the visit of the Tao Kong team from Taiwan will be disappointed to learn that due to unforeseen difficulties their departure has been delayed for yet another week. Barring further snags they should arrive on Thursday next for a series of games over the weekend.

The visit of HRH the Duke of Edinburgh has necessitated the postponement of the two Saturday matches which will now be rescheduled. This leaves us with a somewhat curtailed league programme.

Four games will be played on Sunday with the spotlight falling on the 9.30 a.m. match between the unbeaten South China ladies and the Hurricanes. The result of this game will more or less decide the championship in the ladies division. However, before passing on to the usual forecast I should like to comment on some softball topics which may interest you.

At this stage of the playing season, regarding the batting averages, in all the leagues, a statement from the HK Softball Association would be most welcome. I understand that the Council have not even decided on the matter of qualification of players (that is, number of times at bat and/or number of games played) who are in contention for individual honours in the batting race. It is appreciated that the compilation of statistics takes up considerable time but with the end of the season just a few weeks off it is fair to keep the fans and players themselves guessing. What do you say, Mr. Secretary?

Co-operation Needed
I would also advocate a greater measure of co-operation between the various departments of the Association with a view to avoiding a recurrence of this "no umpires" business in our leagues. Twice this season fans and players have been subjected to the embarrassment of having a game called off because of the absence of officials to take charge of the game. One scorer was not even informed of a recent postponement, and the trip to King's Park in vain. May I now suggest to the powers that be that they take note of this situation and take appropriate steps to remedy it?

On a brighter note I refer you to the energetic Secretary of the Schools Sports Association for his efforts to get school children interested in the game. The hard-working man

behind the scenes is Brother Edward of St. Francis Xavier's College.

It is not generally known that despite the lack of spectator support or much-needed publicity the school league is now I believe in its sixth year and still going strong. At present there are two leagues, the first-ever for schoolgirls having got underway a few days ago. In the boys' section La Salle are on top, St. Francis Xavier's second and KGV in third place while in the girls' section the teams vying for honours are the Sacred Heart School, St. Mary's Convent and the Holy Mary's Convent.

Not Enough

Why am I telling you all this? Well, in his efforts to promote the game, Brother Edward is at present playing a lone hand. It is not enough for the Association to allow the students the use of their limited facilities at King's Park on the weekdays when games are played off. It is not enough for them to sit back in peaceful contemplation secure in the knowledge that Messrs Bill Silva and George Panz are helping out by umpiring.

As a matter of long-term policy since eventually our established softball "stars" will have to surrender cleats for bedroom slippers the Association might, seriously considering appointing a Committee to look into the possibility of launching, during the forthcoming long summer evenings, some sort of intensive training programme.

Weekend Games

It must be obvious to all connected with the sport that in our "student" softballs, and I mean "student" in more than one sense of the word, we have the makings of our future greats to support the leagues in the years to come. It is not too late to make up for the past years of indifference to the schools' softball activities. The youngsters and Bro. Edward who have put their hearts and souls into this game should be made to feel that they will receive not just the blessings and moral support of the HK Softball Association but something more tangible in the form of assistance from men and women who have been the benefit of their vast administrative and playing experience. The softball talent, albeit admittedly raw, is there. It only needs a bit of enterprise and an official approach to the schools to develop it along the proper lines.

Now for the weekend games. If Frances da Silva tosses aside her notions to test new pitching styles now and then and decides to stick to her natural mode of delivery (can't see the Hurricanes losing their crucial match to South China AA. A great pitching duel developed in the recent Ladies' International between da Silva and the Caroliners).

JIM BURKE RETIRES

Sydney, Mar. 5. Jim Burke, Australia's Test opening batsman, today announced his retirement from first-class cricket. Burke, 28, said he was retiring for "business and family reasons." He is an executive with a stationery firm.

The retirement of Burke, who regularly opened Australia's innings with Colin McDonald, means the breaking up of one of the best partnerships Australia has had.

'SEVERE BLOW'

Richie Benaud, who led Australia to victory over England in the recent Tests, described Burke's retirement as a "severe blow to Australian cricket."

"Burke and McDonald over the past three years have proved themselves the best opening pair in the world," he said.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Junior Championships: Ladies' Singles, Men's Singles, Talkies Club, 7.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Queen's College annual athletics meeting, SCAA ground, noon.

SATER

Memorial Cup match at Govt Stadium, Kowloon, between Combined Chinese and Combined Non-Chinese, 7.30 p.m.

Burke has scored 1,272 runs in 24 Tests for an average of 34.33 runs.

A solid right-hand batsman, his best Test score was 189 in nine and a half hours against South Africa at Capetown in 1958. He made 101 not out in his Test debut against England at Adelaide in 1951. — China Mail Special.

Italian Cyclist Wins Second Stage Of Paris-Nice-Rome Race

Moulins, March 5. Italy's Vito Favero today won the second stage of the Paris-Nice-Rome "Race to the Sun" cycle race when he beat 86 other riders who arrived here together in one of the biggest and most confused sprint finishes ever witnessed.

It had been a monotonous stage, only enlivened by a breakaway, led by Italy's Gastone Nencini, which failed 30 miles from the finish and all but seven of the starters were in one mass sprint for first place.

There was a lot of shouting, zig-zagging, elbowing and sweeter-pulling as the riders swept up to the finishing line. The Irish ace, Seamus Elliott was very well placed for the final run-in, but suffered badly in the scramble over the last few yards, and finished fifth.

Confusion

In the confusion after the finish, the officials consulted the photographs to determine the winner, while Favero was congratulated by Belgium's Van Daele, who he thought had won. The film revealed that Favero had beaten yesterday's stage

Battling Bassey—First Gentleman Of The Ring

By DEREK JOHN

This week I salute a rare figure in the modern boxing world—a fighting world champion. His name: Hogan Kid Bassey, MBE, 26-year-old Black Prince of Featherweights and the Commonwealth's only world-title holder.

Sly, soft-spoken Bassey is a publicist workman who likes to practise his craft. In 1958, the young man from Calabar, Nigeria, fought and won six bouts. The incredible Archie Moore (ten fights) was the only world champion to enter the ring more often.

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To Gain Experience

Champions Patterson (heavyweight) and Robinson (middleweight) confined themselves to one fight each in the twelve months. Bantamweight champion Alphonse Halimi had two fights—both non-titles. Admittedly, Bassey defended his title only once. But during the latter part of the year his activities were restricted by the illness of his manager, George Biddles.

When he did fight, it was to gain experience as much as to pick up hard cash. He had a minimum guarantee of a mere £3,500 when he knocked out the once-mighty Willie Pep. He defeated Ernesto Parra for £2,000, and he cannot have earned much more for his New York meeting with Carmelo Costa.

Fat Purses

But Bassey had his share of fat purses. When he knocked out Ricardo Moreno in the first round of their world title fight last April, he collected the record fee of £25,000.

Now this five-foot bundle of dynamite is preparing to defend his world title again. On March 18, in Los Angeles, he tackles his No. 1 challenger, Davey Moore of Ohio.

He has been guaranteed \$45,000 (approximately £16,000) or a percentage of the gate, whichever is greater, plus all expenses for four people. It will be Bassey's sixth fight in America, and the form book says that it will be his sixth win there.

As Biddles says: "The best kind of opponent for Hogan is a good-class fighter. The most

dangerous is an enthusiastic mug. "We have seen Davey Moore fight. He is no mug. He is a good-class fighter and he will bring out the best in Bassey."

Won Title At 16

Hogan Kid Bassey won the Nigerian flyweight title when he was a 16-year-old schoolboy. Since the end of 1953 he has had 30 fights and lost only two—both on doubtful decisions.

Moore was last beaten in November, 1956. Since then he has won thirteen fights in a row. I reckon this will be Bassey's toughest fight as world champion. But one forecast can safely be made: whatever the result, here is one champion who will know how to behave like a perfect gentleman.

Appeal For Abolition Of Matting Wickets

Kingston, March 5. An appeal for the abolition of matting pitches in Test matches was made here today on the eve of the start of the second Test between the West Indies and Pakistan on a coir matting pitch in Dacca.

Jack Anderson, cricket writer of the Jamaica Gleaner, recalled the grim experience of visiting teams on the matting at Karachi, where Australia were shot out for 80 in 1959. The New Zealanders suffered a near-out the same year and the West Indies were trounced by 10 wickets last week.

"Certainly the time has come when Test cricket should be played only on turf wickets," he declared. He pointed out that soil had been shipped from one place to another to replace matting with turf at Queen's Park Oval, Trinidad, and Wanderers Ground, Johannesburg. — China Mail Special.

Sugar Ray Signs For Title Bout Against Scholz

Berlin, Mar. 5. A provisional contract was signed here today for a world middleweight boxing title fight between the holder, Sugar Ray Robinson and Germany's European champion, Gustav "Bubi" Scholz.

The provisional contract, signed by Fritz Gretscher for Scholz and Robinson's manager, George Gainsford, stipulated that the match would be staged in the United States before the end of September—this year, unless Robinson has in the meantime taken the world light-heavyweight crown from the present holder, veteran Archie Moore.

In the event of Robinson becoming world light-heavyweight champion, Gainsford has committed himself to use his influence to obtain that the vacant world middleweight title be fought out between Scholz and the winner of an elimination tournament between European world welterweight and middleweight champion, Carmen Basilio, and the American boxers, Gene Fullmer, and Spiller Webb. Gretscher is to go to the United States this spring to pursue his negotiations.

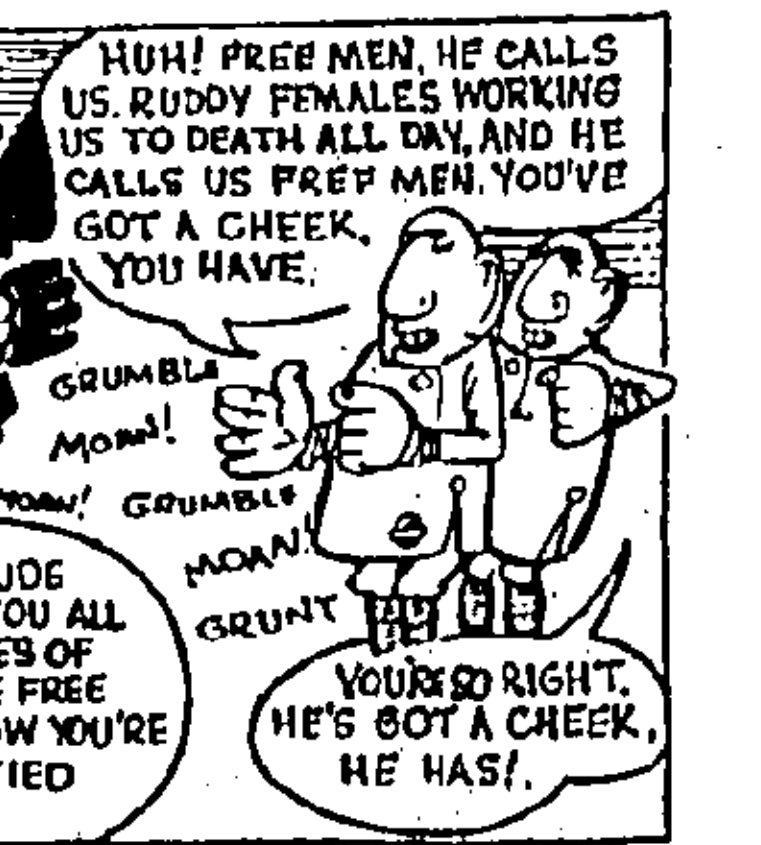
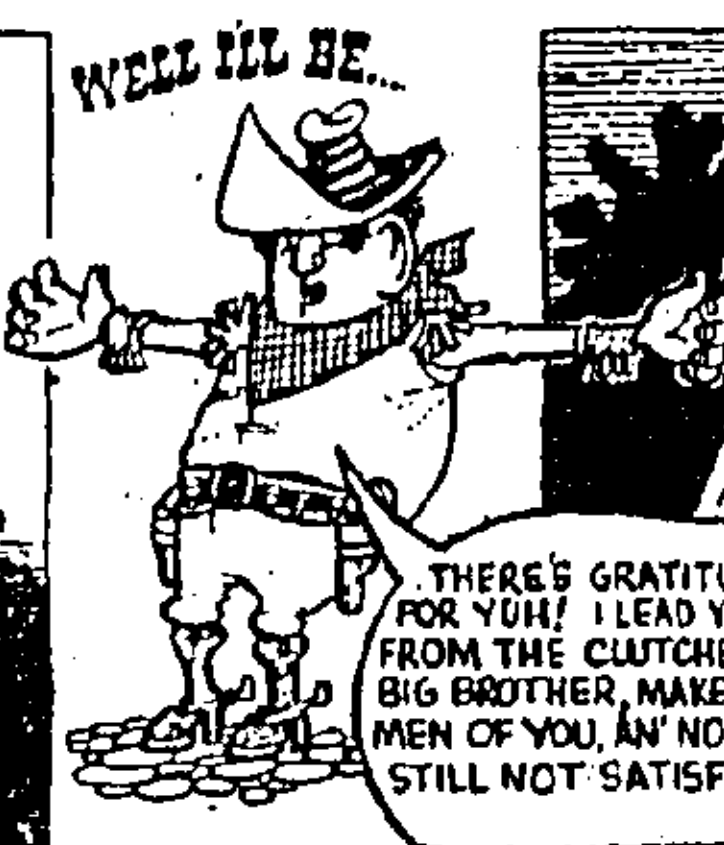
Wales' Rugby Programme

Cardiff, Mar. 6. Wales' home Rugby Union internationals in 1960 will be versus Scotland on February 6 and versus France on March 20. Both matches will be played here. The dates were announced by the Welsh Rugby Union.—Reuter.

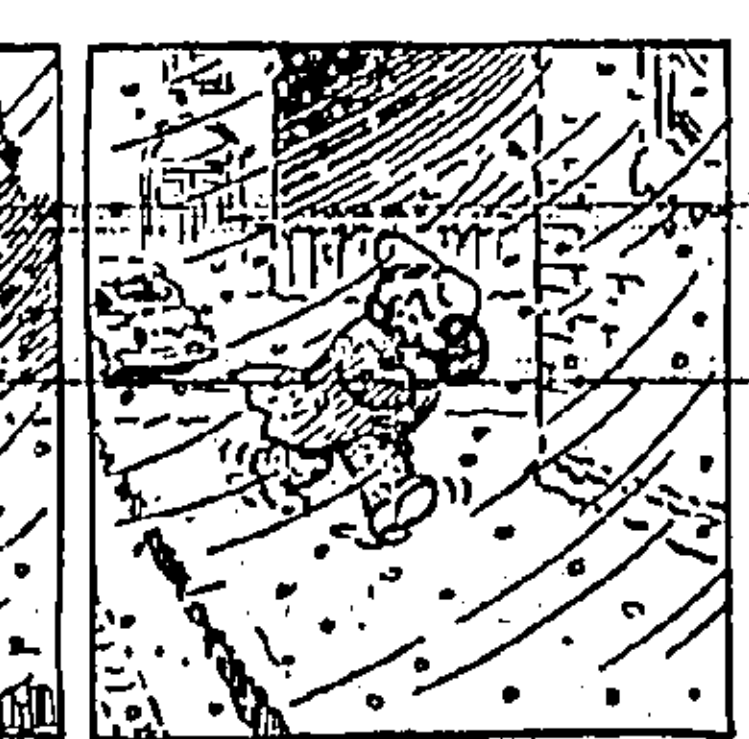
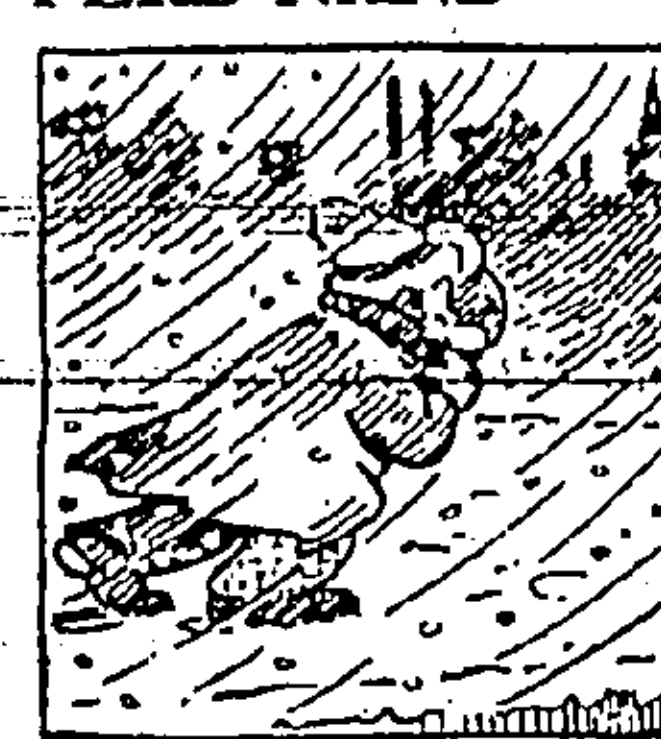
International Boxing

Newport, Mar. 5. Wales beat Belgium by six bouts to four in an amateur boxing international here tonight.—Reuter.

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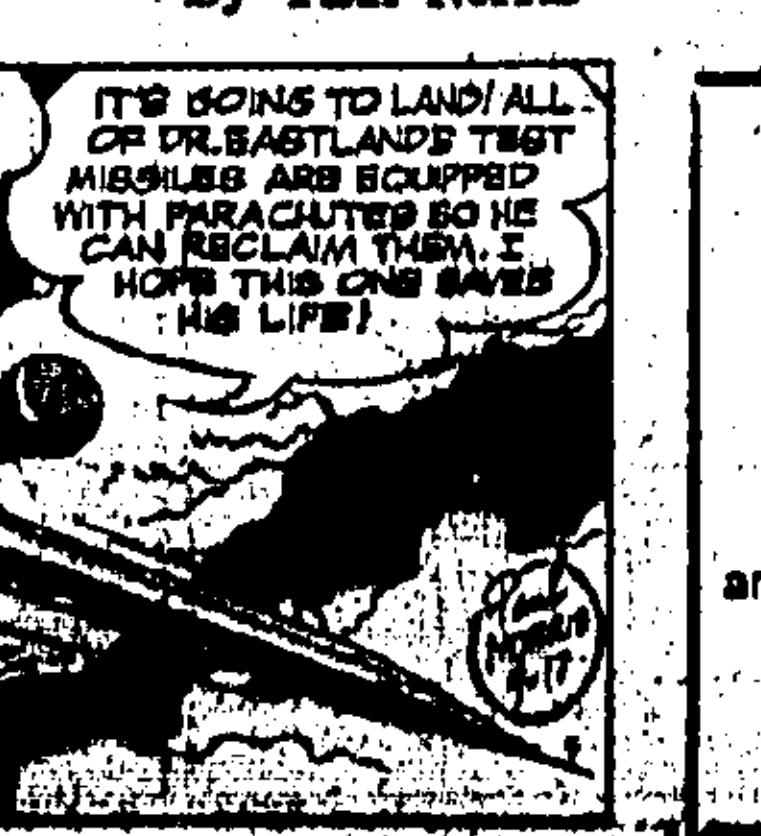
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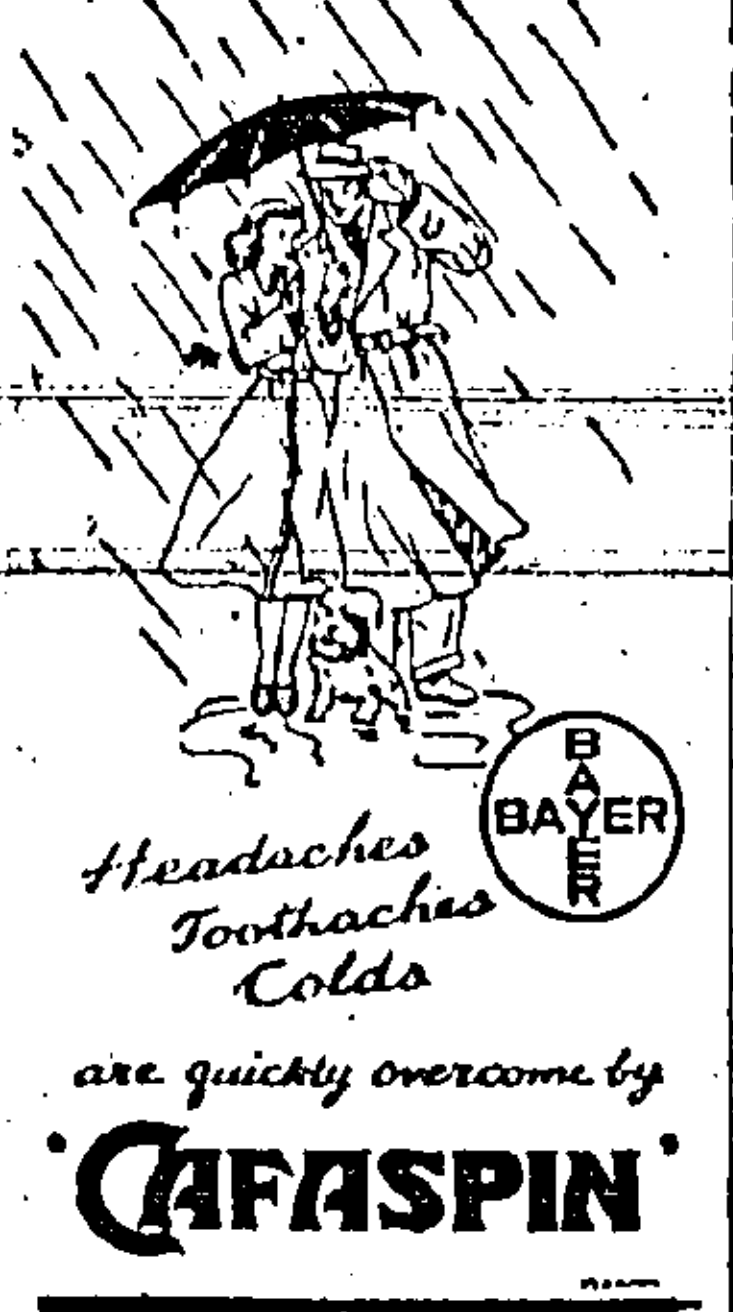
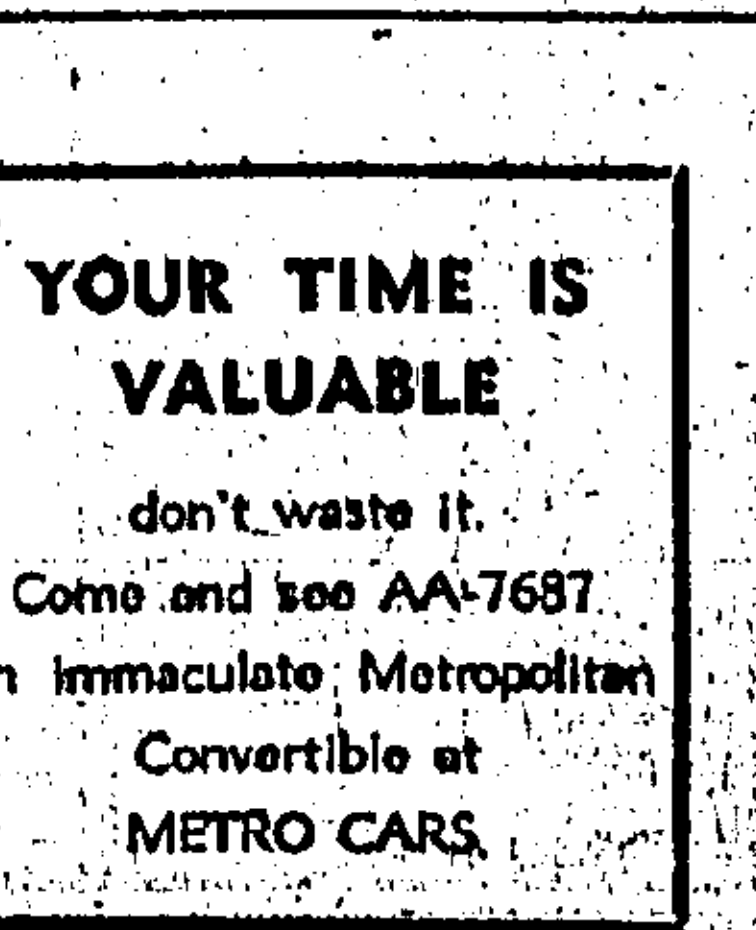
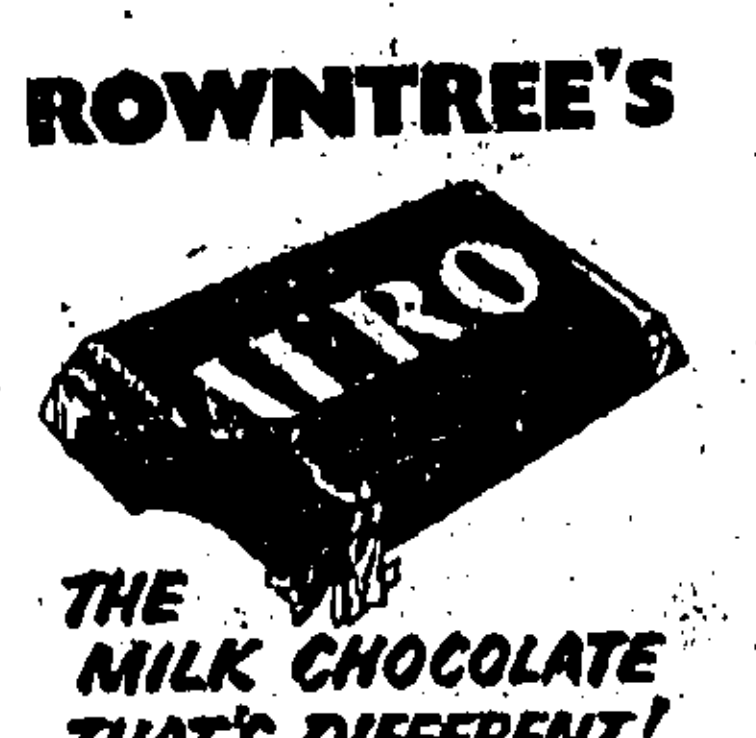
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Government Appointments Gazetted

The Government Gazette this morning announced the following appointments, transfers, promotions and postings:

Mr S. T. Kidd, Cadet Officer, Class II, ceased to be Assistant Secretary, Colonial Secretariat.

Mr H. H. B. How, Magistrate, to be Acting District Judge.

Mr S. J. G. Burt, resumed duty as Principal of the Technical College. Mr Watt Hoi-kee ceased to act as Principal of the College.

Mr J. Clarry, Education Officer (Technical), ceased to act as Senior Education Officer.

Mr R. W. Bell resumed duty as Superintendent Radiographer. Mr R. W. Booker, Senior Radiographer, ceased to act as Superintendent Radiographer. Mr B. E. Willmott, Radiographer, ceased to act as Senior Radiographer.

Mr T. S. D. Whitley, Senior Executive Officer, Class I, to be Secretary Education Department.

Mr W. L. T. Crunden, to be Acting Assistant Superintendent of Crown Lands.

Mr Tan Bon-choek, Cadet Officer, Class II, ceased to be Resettlement Officer, Operations, Resettlement Department.

Headmaster For St Paul's Appointed

The Church Missionary Society, London, has appointed the Rev. G. L. Speak MA (Canab) headmaster of St Paul's College, Bonham Road.

The vacancy was caused by the death of Mr Evan G. Stewart.

Mr Speak is 35 and was formerly senior English master at St Paul's College. He came to Hongkong in 1954 and was formerly in a parish in Wakefield, Yorkshire.

He takes over his new appointment as from today.

Mr Speak is married and has two children.

Reconstruction Of Nam Wai Access Road

Tenders are called in today's Government Gazette for the improvement of Nam Wai Access Road in Sai Kung. The road, just over 3,000 feet long, will be reconstructed from Hiram's Highway, near the Village of Wo Mei, to the Village of Nam Wai.

When reconstructed, the road will have a 12-foot carriageway with passing bays.

At present, the access road has a carriageway of about eight feet.

Work on the reconstruction of the road is expected to begin in six weeks and will take about three months to complete.

Companies Struck Off

The Government Gazette notified this morning that, at the expiration of three months from today, the following companies will be struck off the register and the companies dissolved:

China Associates Corporation, Ltd; Gyveo-Chine Ltd; and the Keon Wah Delivery, Ltd.

Reclamation At Sai Tso Wan

Government proposes to reclaim approximately 28 acres of Crown foreshore and seabed at Sai Tso Wan, Kowloon, for development purposes.

The land which is to be reclaimed will be bounded on the south-west side by New Kowloon and on the north-west side by a nullah running along the south-east boundary of the reclamation of 48 acres in Kwan Tong Bay.

Contractor

The Kan Sang Building Contractors Co., 23 Pokfulam Road, ground floor, has been included in the contractors register of the Building Authority, the Government Gazette notified this morning.



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Queen's Pier This Morning

This is the scene of the Duke's arrival this afternoon, taken this morning by our staff photographer after the mist cleared. The area which the Guards of Honour and official guests will occupy has been closed off by barriers. And the royal procession route is draped with flags and decorations. Ships of the Royal Navy are dressed overall.



Death Of Mr S.W. Minshall

Mr S. W. Minshall, Senior Officer of the Sworn Measurers' and Weighers' Office, died this morning at Matilda Hospital at the age of 55.

Mr. Minshall joined the Blue Funnel Line in 1919, and remained with them until 1925, when he joined the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., obtaining his master's certificate two years later.



Mr Minshall joined the Sworn Measurers' and Weighers' Office in 1930.

He is survived by his two sons, both born in Hongkong, and his wife, Mrs. Molly Minshall, who is at present living in Broadstairs, Kent.

Mr Minshall was admitted to hospital after suffering a stroke ten days ago. He died without regaining consciousness. Mr. Minshall recently suffered an attack of double pneumonia.

From the Files 25 years AGO

The following appointments have been made by the Colonial Office for Hongkong:—Miss G. Gough, Assistant Mistress, to the Education Department; Mrs E. M. Clark, Senior Mistress, to the Education Department and E. B. Nelson as Assistant superintendent of the Kai Tak aerodrome.

HENRY Pu Yi, former Boy Emperor of China was enthroned yesterday as Emperor of Manchoukuo (the Manchou Empire). The ceremony took place in chilly weather at Changchun, the new Manchurian capital.

Only troops and trusted officials including Japanese were present. The Daily Telegraph's comment: "Though the British Government does not recognise Manchoukuo, few Britons will be so childish as not to wish the new Emperor length of days and a happy reign."

The disease has not yet reached epidemic proportions, said Dr T.W. Ware, the acting Medical Officer of Health, when interviewed on the question of the recent outbreak of cerebro-spinal meningitis in the Colony.

SIR A. Knox MP, asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies why Russians were employed in the Hongkong Police Force when there were a number of British ex-servicemen unemployed in Hongkong.

Mr Malcolm MacDonald: I am informed that Russians are not normally employed in the regular police force of Hongkong on ordinary land duties, although a number are serving as anti-piracy guards under the control of the Police Department.

Since 1930, only a very few applications have been received from British ex-servicemen unemployed in Hongkong to take the place of the Russian guards, and in no case was the applicant fitted to undertake the duties he would be called upon to perform. I am advised that there are no employable British ex-servicemen at present unemployed in the Colony.

Further, the cost of such guards is borne by the shipping companies, and it is unlikely that those companies would be willing to pay wages on a scale higher than those adequate for Russian guards so long as the present arrangements fulfil their purpose.

The headstrong insistence of the Prince to marry Miss Patzek is said to have been a great disappointment to the Government and the Royal Family. Films in which Miss Patzek has minor parts are drawing large crowds at every cinema.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Music Criticism

Sir—I did not attend the concert, performance, show or "turn" given by the Golden Gate Quartet. But in view of the two letters on the subject (one from "Noble") appearing in the China Mail on March 4, 1959, I was prompted to read again your music critic's review. It does not seem that the blame for her being fooled can be attributed to the artists, who presumably performed in their usual manner. If anyone is to blame it is surely the agents for publishing a programme which "bore little relation to the songs sung, etc."

If the advance publicity misled your critic, then I think she must share part of the blame for being fooled by taking pre-conceived ideas along with her to the performance—excusable for anyone except a critic.

However, Dr. Gray certainly makes some telling points in her critique. One wonders just what quality voices these performers really have that they require two microphones and two sets of loudspeakers between four of them, bearing in mind that the acoustics of the Lake Yew Hall are good.

AMATEUR.

This Funny World



NEW DAM AT MA LAU TONG TO BE BUILT

A new mass concrete gravity dam is to be built near Ma Lau Tong Village to impound both stream and salt water to provide the Kwun Tong Resettlement Estate with water for flushing purposes.

The dam, about 320 feet long at crest level, will have a capacity of 14 million gallons. The maximum height of the dam will be about 70 feet.

During the rainy season, it will store storm water from a stream on which the dam will be built, but when the stream flow is low, sea water will be pumped up from a pumping station on the shoreline of the Kwun Tong Reclamation.

Work is expected to start some time in April and will take 18 months to complete, it was revealed in the Gazette today.

New Reservoir

Work will begin in the middle of May on the construction of a 5,000,000-gallon salt water service reservoir to provide water for flushing purposes in the Wong Tai Sin Resettlement Estate.

Tenders for the work, which will take 21 months to complete, are called for in today's Government Gazette.

The reservoir will be situated next to the existing Diamond Hill service reservoir above the resettlement estate. The top level of the salt water reservoir will be 200 feet above sea level.

FUEL PRICES REDUCED

Marine fuel oil prices, which have been dropping steadily over the past few months, were cut by a further seven shillings and sixpence, the Shell Petroleum Company announced in London yesterday.

The reduction is to take effect from tomorrow. In Far Eastern ports, according to a cable report.

The Shell Co. of Hongkong, said that the spot bunker price for marine fuel oil now stands at 157/- per long ton.

Morning Fog Likely Tomorrow

A heavy widespread fog is forecast for tomorrow morning. Prince Philip is scheduled to take the salute of a combined services parade review at Kai Tak, beginning at 9 a.m.

However, the fog is expected to clear away around lunchtime, and the Royal Observatory forecast fair periods during the afternoon.

This morning Hongkong woke to find the Colony shrouded in a heavy mist, which prevented any aircraft landing at the airport until 11.30 a.m.

The fog should return again in the late evening today.

E.D. AWARDS

The Government Gazette notified this morning that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to authorize the award of Efficiency Decoration and First Class to Capt. F. Y. P. Lee, First Class to Efficiency Decoration to Major S. M. Bard, and Third Class to Efficiency Decoration to Capt. F. V. V. Ribeiro, all of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force.

Auditors

Messrs B. Johnson, Ng Tze-choy and Sanford Y. T. Yung have been added to the Authorized List of Auditors, the Government Gazette notified this morning.

Man In The Car Fined \$600

Two constables saw Wong Man-kee sitting behind the driving wheel in a car parked in Mercer Street 4.45 a.m. this morning.

They questioned him and he said he had just taken his employer home and was parking the car before going to bed.

However, less than half an hour later, the same two constables saw Wong again this time driving the car from Mercer Street through Bonham Strand East into Queen's Road.

They stopped him and again questioned him. Wong claimed that his friend had lent him the car.

He was taken to the Police Station for further questioning. There he was found to have several keys. He admitted that he had no permission from the owner to use the vehicle.

Before Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning, Wong, 25, unemployed, of 102, Jervois Street, third floor, was charged with three counts of driving without the owner's consent, without being covered by third party insurance and failing to attach his signature to his driving licence.

He admitted all three counts and was fined \$500 or one month on the first, \$300 or another month on the second charge and cautioned on the third count.

He was also disqualified from driving for 12 months.

Architect Registered

The Government Gazette notified this morning that Mr J.A. Prescott has been added to the register of Authorized Architects in accordance with the provisions of the Buildings Ordinance, 1955.

Two Killed In Traffic Mishaps

A man and a boy were killed in traffic accidents in Hongkong yesterday. The boy, eight-year-old Chan Shau-han of 199 Queen's Road East, 1st floor, received fatal injuries when he was knocked down by a private car in Queen's Road East, near its junction with McGregor Street.

Hon Tak, aged 33, of 44A, Chin Shui Ma Tau Village, was fatally injured when he was knocked down by a private car in King's Road, near Kam Hong Street.

In Kowloon, 20-year-old Ng Yau of 20 Hung Fook Street, 2nd floor, was injured yesterday morning when he fell from a van in To Kwa Wan Road, near its junction with Ma Tau Wat Road. He was taken to Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

Thefts From Vehicles

A Chinese man was arrested by the Police yesterday following the theft of a door handle from a lorry parked in Tung Tau Village Road.

Clothing valued at \$25 was stolen from a private car parked in Duke Street, near its junction with Nathan Road yesterday afternoon.

J.P.s APPOINTED

Messrs Russell White and R. F. G. White have been appointed Official Justices of the Peace, it was announced in the Government Gazette this morning.

The Police have arrested a man, following the snatching of a pair of gold earrings from a Chinese woman in Fa Yuen Street, near Mongkok Road yesterday.

TWO RECORDS IN FEBRUARY

February's weather provided ups and downs in rainfall, humidity and temperatures, and two new records were set, according to the monthly report of the Royal Observatory.

The first of these was the rainfall. A total of 8.28 inches of rain fell, which was 38 of

an inch more than the previous highest total recorded in February, 1890. The rainfall was also 6.32 inches above normal.

The second new record was the maximum temperature recorded. In the second week of last month, the highest maximum temperature on record was noted.

The new record stands at 81.2 degrees.

We had an average of just under one hour of sunshine for each day in February. The sunshine recorder at the Observatory registered 27.6 hours of sunshine, which is 70.5 hours below normal.